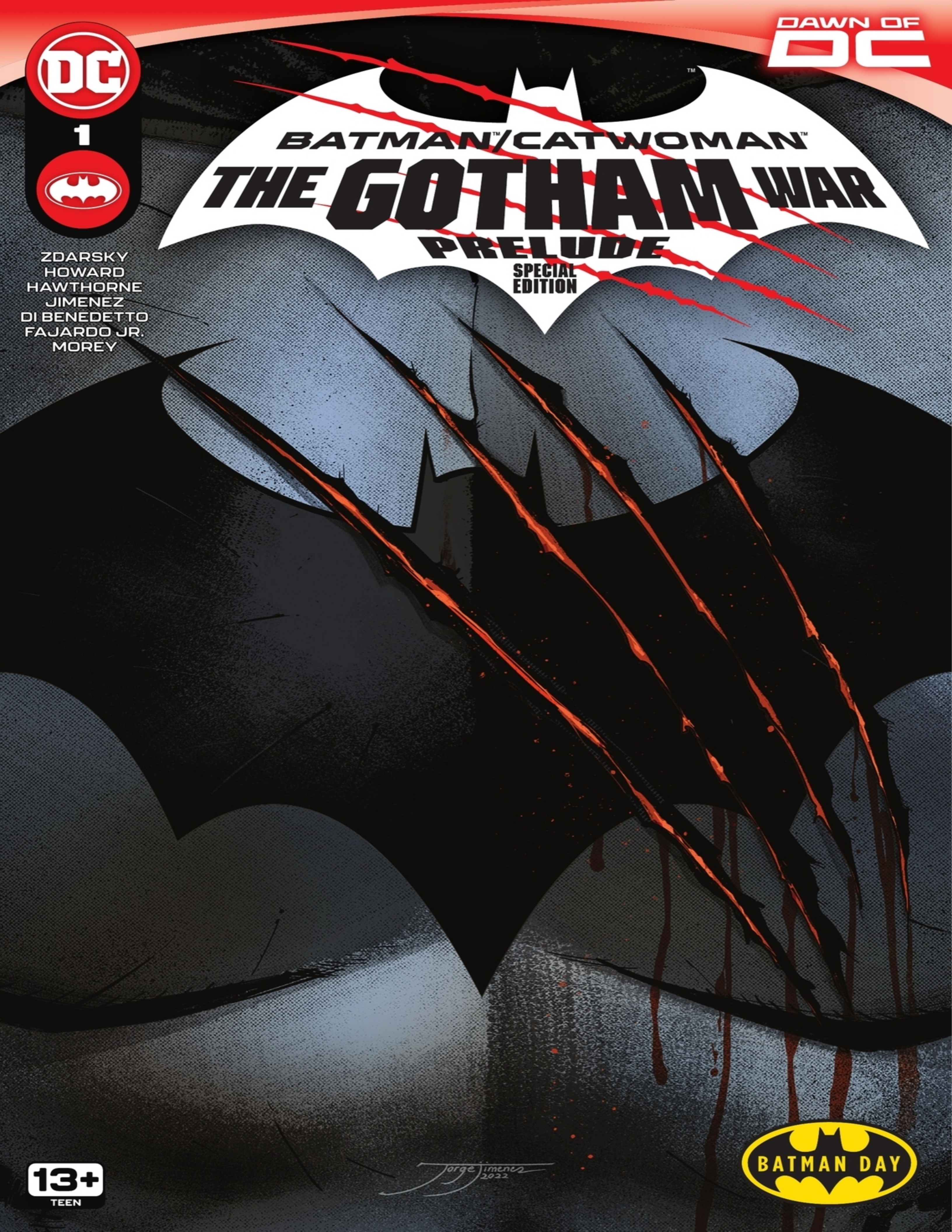
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It's Batman versus Catwoman for the soul of justice in Gotham City! Batman awakens from the Knight Terrors event to find that Catwoman has siphoned off the goons of the city, leaving its crime bosses empty-handed. Training this army of thieves in the art of cat burglary, has Catwoman "solved" violent crime in Gotham or just changed its nature?

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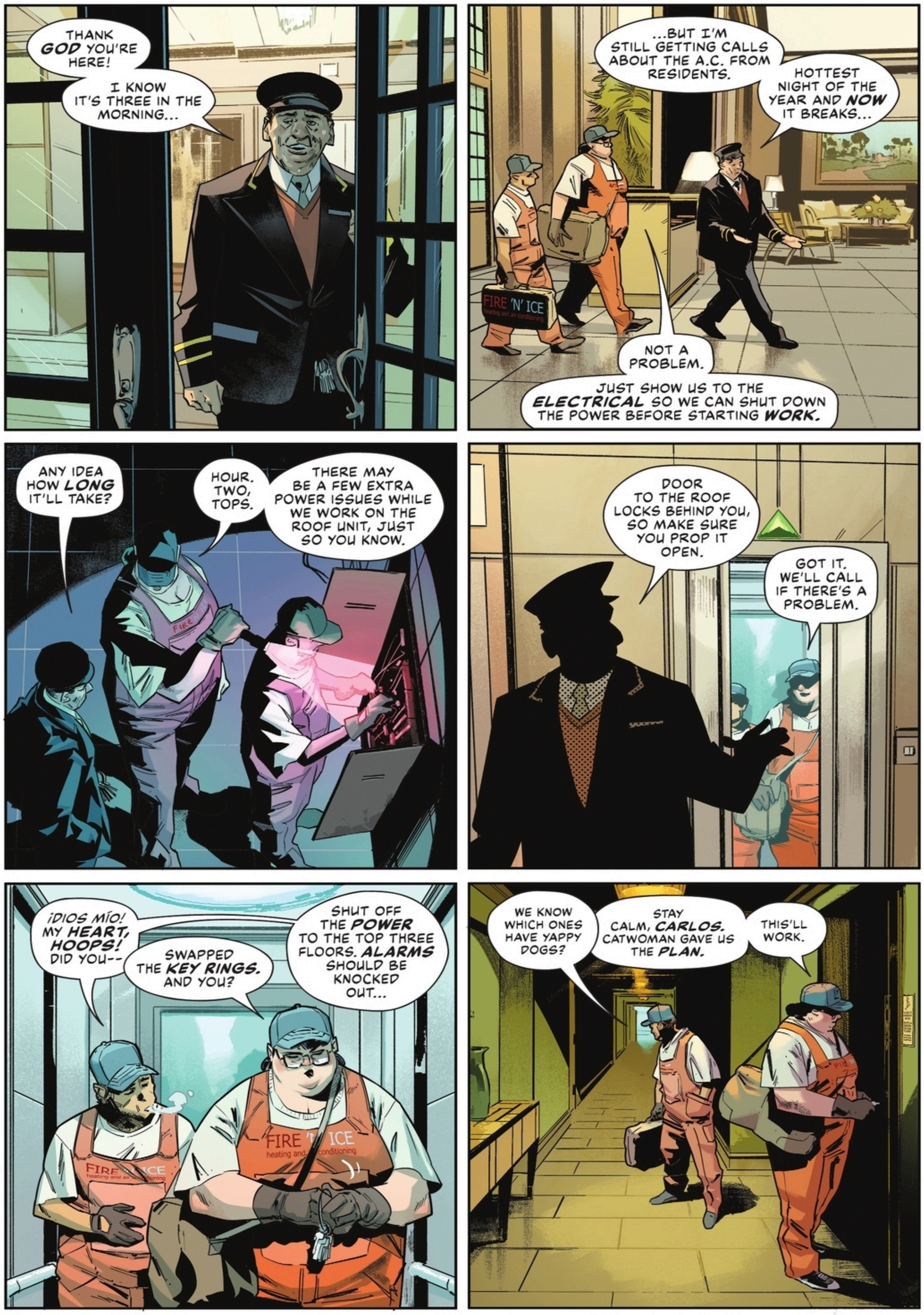
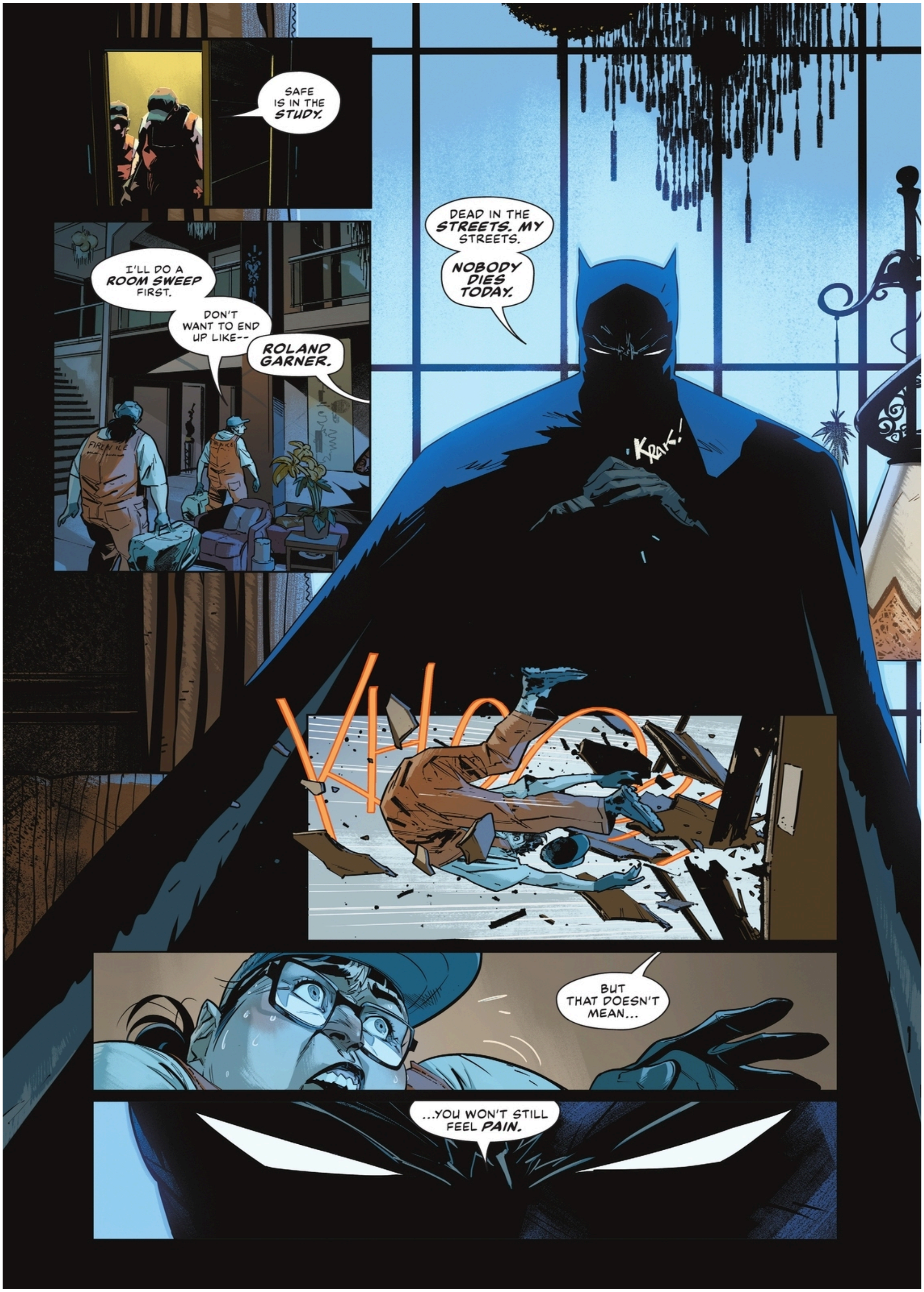
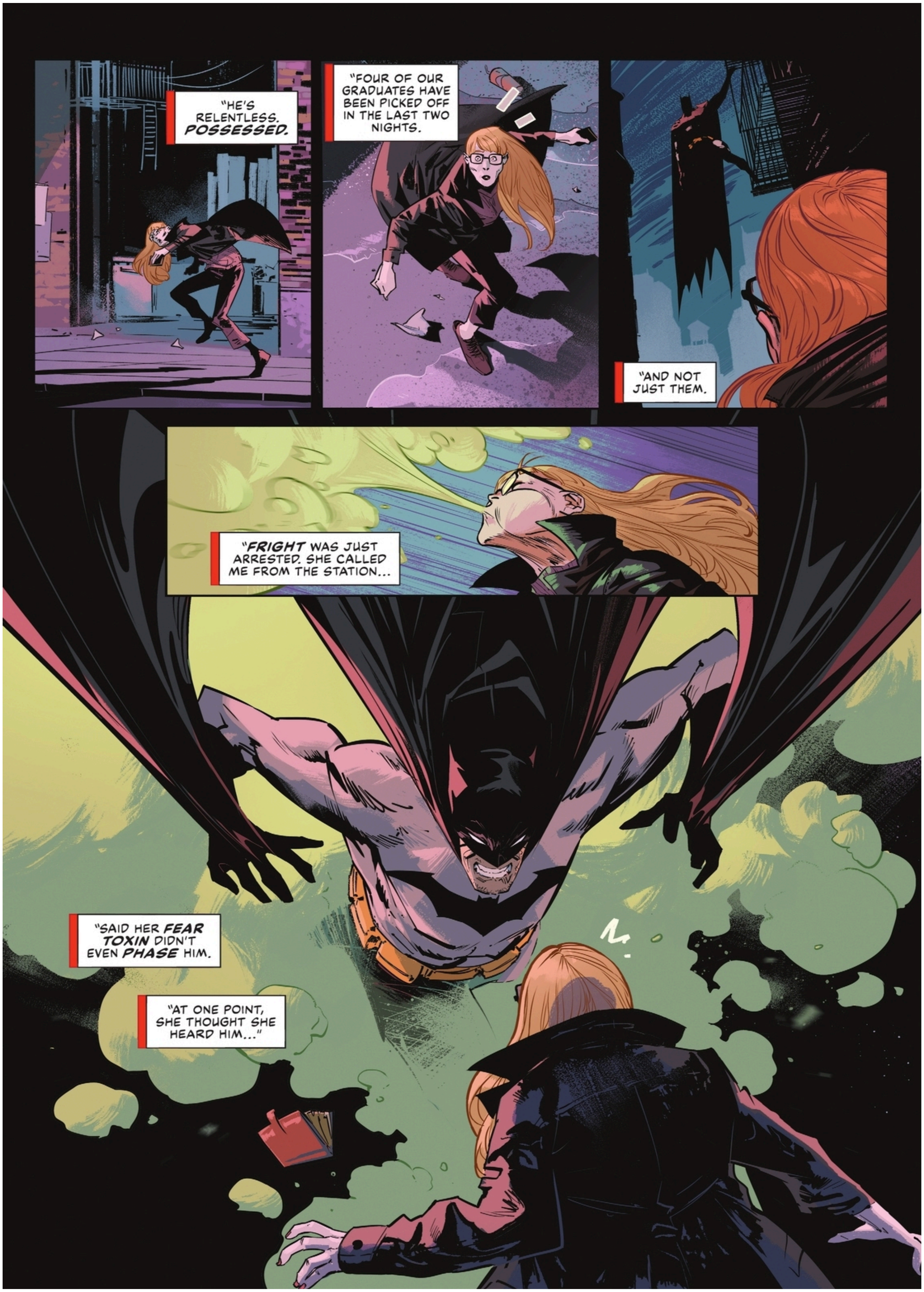
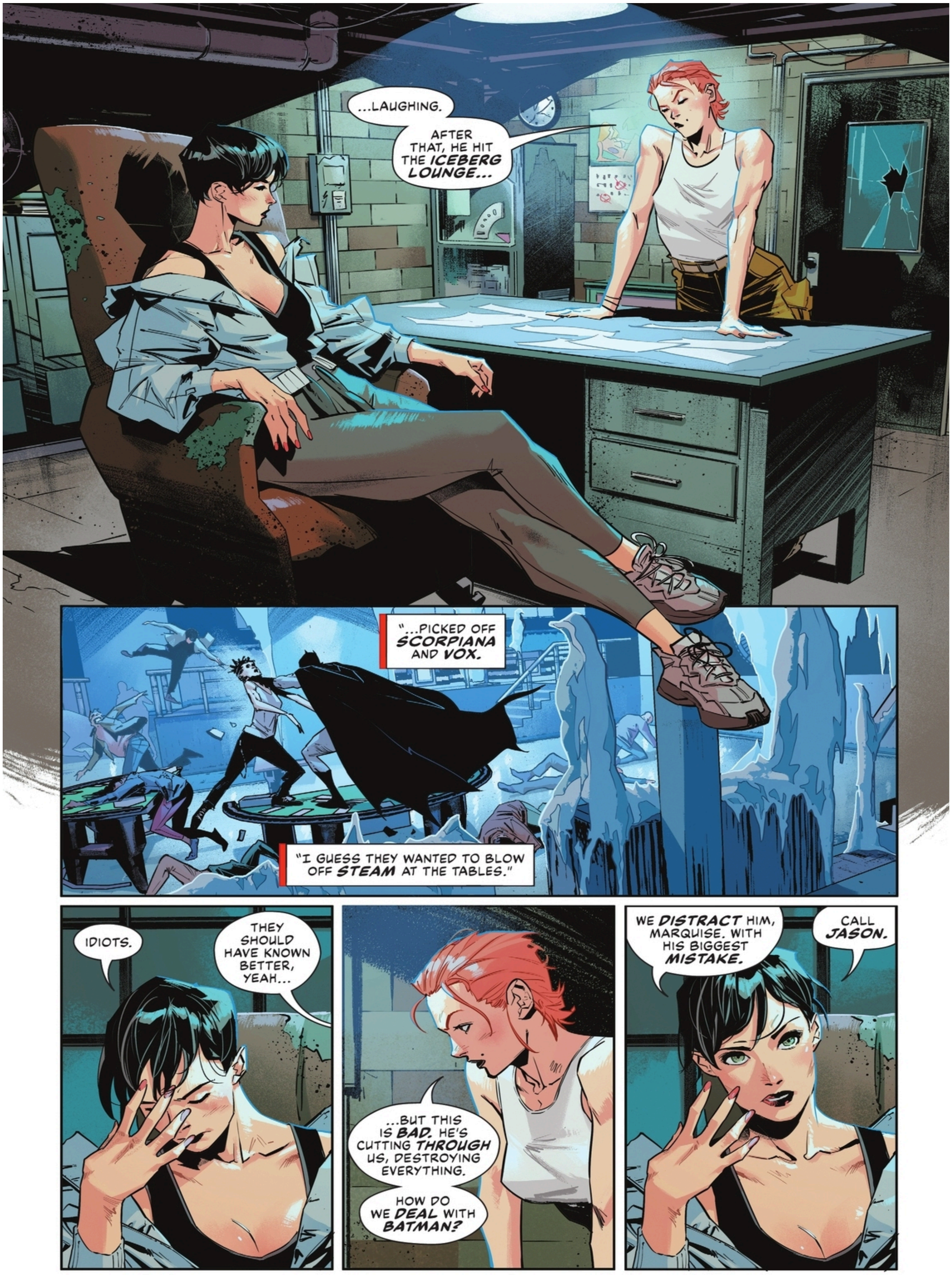
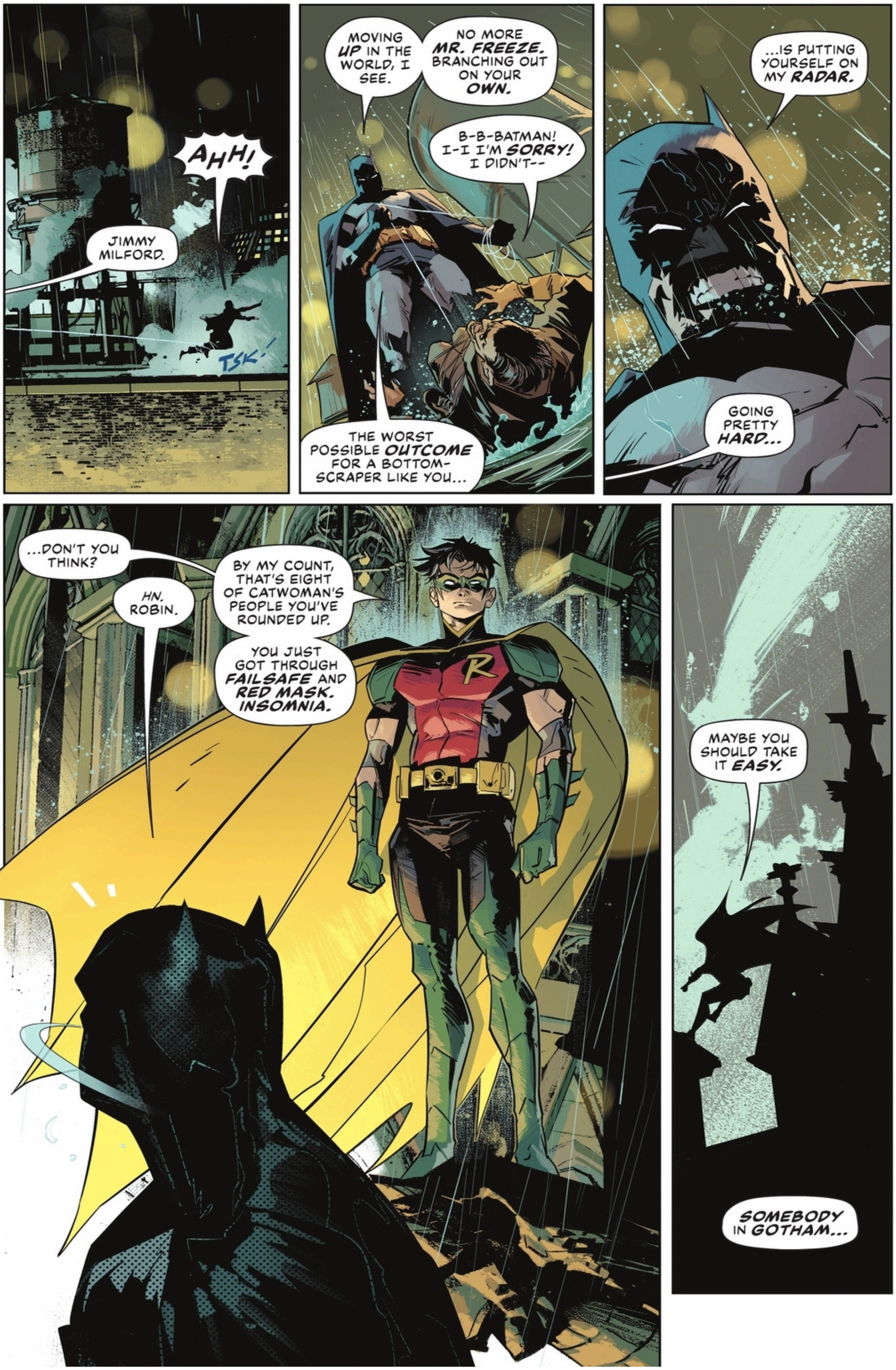
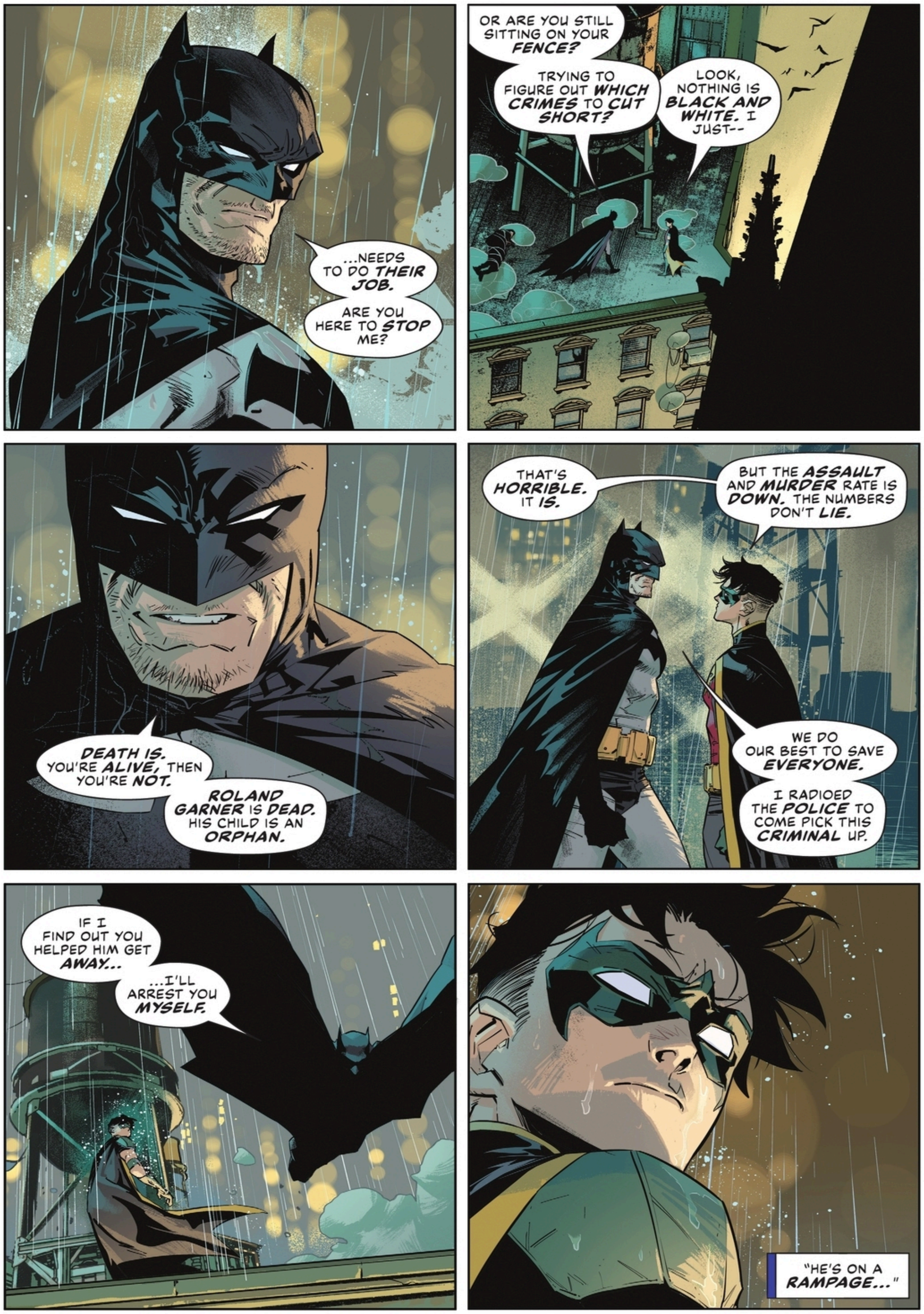

THANK *GOD* YOU'RE HERE!
I KNOW IT'S THREE IN THE MORNING...
...BUT I'M STILL GETTING CALLS ABOUT THE A.C. FROM RESIDENTS.
HOTTEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR AND *NOW* IT BREAKS...
FIRE 'N' ICE heating and air conditioning
NOT A PROBLEM.
JUST SHOW US TO THE *ELECTRICAL* SO WE CAN SHUT DOWN THE POWER BEFORE STARTING *WORK.*
ANY IDEA HOW *LONG* IT'LL TAKE?
HOUR. TWO, TOPS.
THERE MAY BE A FEW EXTRA POWER ISSUES WHILE WE WORK ON THE ROOF UNIT, JUST SO YOU KNOW.
DOOR TO THE ROOF LOCKS BEHIND YOU, SO MAKE SURE YOU PROP IT OPEN.
GOT IT. WE'LL CALL IF THERE'S A PROBLEM.
¡DIOS MÍO! MY *HEART, HOOPS!* DID YOU--
SWAPPED THE *KEY RINGS.* AND YOU?
SHUT OFF THE *POWER* TO THE TOP THREE FLOORS. *ALARMS* SHOULD BE KNOCKED OUT...
FIRE 'N' ICE heating and air conditioning
WE KNOW WHICH ONES HAVE YAPPY DOGS?
STAY CALM, *CARLOS.* CATWOMAN GAVE US THE *PLAN.*
THIS'LL WORK.

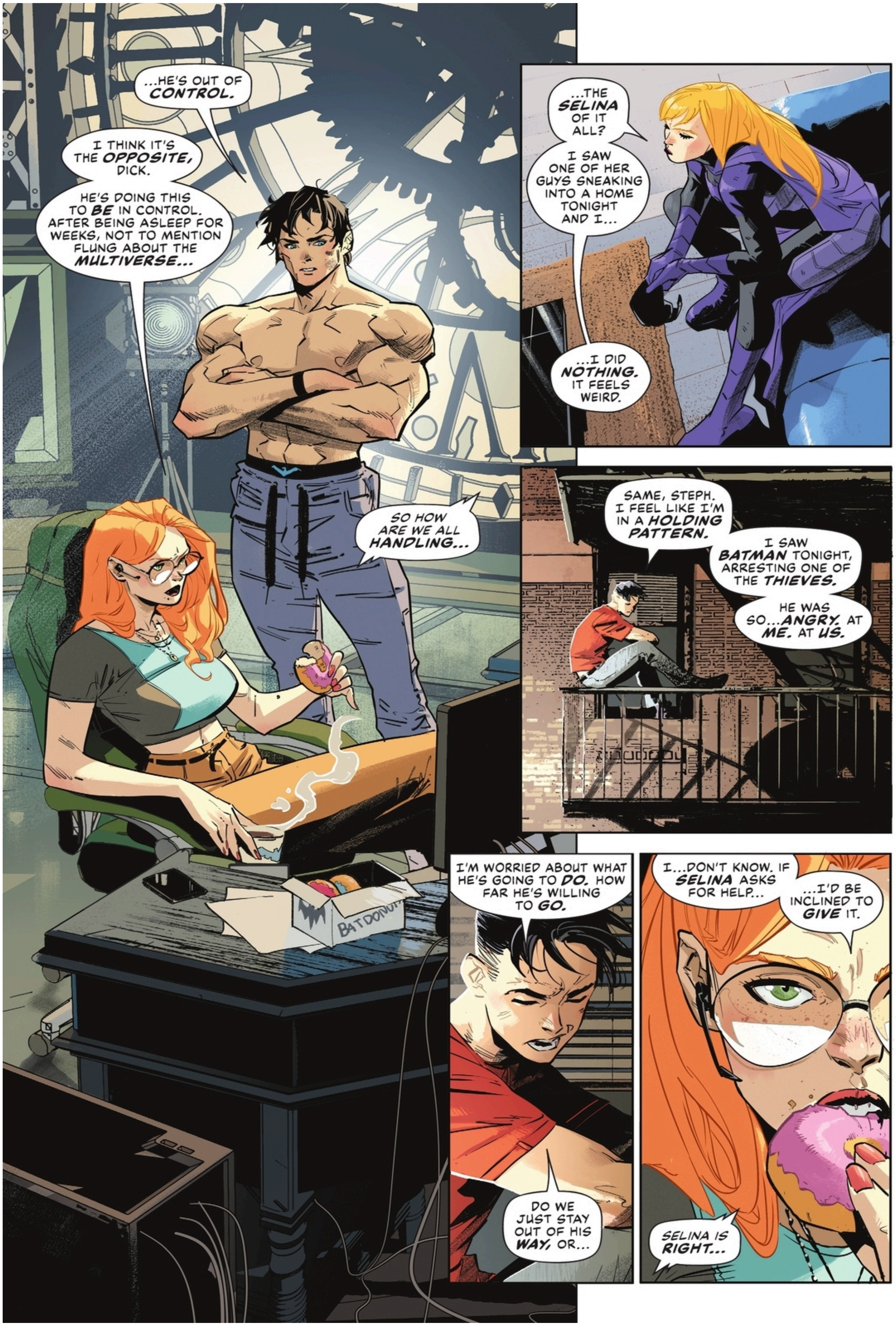

SAFE IS IN THE STUDY.
I'LL DO A ROOM SWEEP FIRST.
DON'T WANT TO END UP LIKE--
ROLAND GARNER.
DEAD IN THE STREETS. MY STREETS.
NOBODY DIES TODAY.
KRAK!
FIRENZE
BLAKE
BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN...
...YOU WON'T STILL FEEL PAIN.


"HE'S RELENTLESS. *POSSESSED.*
"FOUR OF OUR GRADUATES HAVE BEEN PICKED OFF IN THE LAST TWO NIGHTS.
"AND NOT JUST THEM.
"*FRIGHT* WAS JUST ARRESTED. SHE CALLED ME FROM THE STATION...
"SAID HER *FEAR TOXIN* DIDN'T EVEN *PHASE* HIM.
"AT ONE POINT, SHE THOUGHT SHE HEARD HIM..."


...LAUGHING.
AFTER THAT, HE HIT THE *ICEBERG LOUNGE*...
"...PICKED OFF *SCORPIANA* AND *VOX*.
"I GUESS THEY WANTED TO BLOW OFF *STEAM* AT THE TABLES."
IDIOTS.
THEY SHOULD HAVE KNOWN BETTER, YEAH...
...BUT THIS IS *BAD*. HE'S CUTTING *THROUGH* US, DESTROYING EVERYTHING.
HOW DO WE *DEAL* WITH *BATMAN?*
WE *DISTRACT* HIM, MARQUISE. WITH HIS BIGGEST *MISTAKE*.
CALL *JASON*.


AHH!
JIMMY MILFORD.
TSK!
MOVING *UP* IN THE WORLD, I SEE.
NO MORE *MR. FREEZE.* BRANCHING OUT ON YOUR *OWN.*
B-B-BATMAN! I-I I'M *SORRY!* I DIDN'T--
THE WORST POSSIBLE *OUTCOME* FOR A BOTTOM-SCRAPER LIKE YOU...
...IS PUTTING YOURSELF ON MY *RADAR.*
GOING PRETTY *HARD...*
...DON'T YOU THINK?
HN. ROBIN.
BY MY COUNT, THAT'S EIGHT OF CATWOMAN'S PEOPLE YOU'VE ROUNDED UP.
YOU JUST GOT THROUGH *FAILSAFE* AND *RED MASK. INSOMNIA.*
MAYBE YOU SHOULD TAKE IT *EASY.*
SOMEBODY IN *GOTHAM...*


...NEEDS TO DO *THEIR JOB.*
ARE YOU HERE TO *STOP* ME?
OR ARE YOU STILL SITTING ON YOUR *FENCE?*
TRYING TO FIGURE OUT *WHICH CRIMES* TO *CUT SHORT?*
LOOK, NOTHING IS *BLACK AND WHITE.* I JUST--
DEATH IS. YOU'RE *ALIVE,* THEN YOU'RE *NOT.*
ROLAND GARNER IS *DEAD.* HIS CHILD IS AN *ORPHAN.*
THAT'S *HORRIBLE.* IT *IS.*
BUT THE *ASSAULT* AND *MURDER* RATE IS *DOWN.* THE NUMBERS DON'T *LIE.*
WE DO OUR BEST TO SAVE *EVERYONE.*
I RADIOED THE *POLICE* TO COME PICK THIS *CRIMINAL* UP.
IF I FIND OUT YOU HELPED HIM GET *AWAY...*
...I'LL ARREST YOU *MYSELF.*
"HE'S ON A *RAMPAGE...*"


...HE'S OUT OF CONTROL.
I THINK IT'S THE OPPOSITE, DICK.
HE'S DOING THIS TO BE IN CONTROL. AFTER BEING ASLEEP FOR WEEKS, NOT TO MENTION FLUNG ABOUT THE MULTIVERSE...
SO HOW ARE WE ALL HANDLING...
...THE SELINA OF IT ALL?
I SAW ONE OF HER GUYS SNEAKING INTO A HOME TONIGHT AND I...
...I DID NOTHING. IT FEELS WEIRD.
SAME, STEPH. I FEEL LIKE I'M IN A HOLDING PATTERN.
I SAW BATMAN TONIGHT, ARRESTING ONE OF THE THIEVES.
HE WAS SO...ANGRY. AT ME. AT US.
I'M WORRIED ABOUT WHAT HE'S GOING TO DO. HOW FAR HE'S WILLING TO GO.
DO WE JUST STAY OUT OF HIS WAY, OR...
I...DON'T KNOW. IF SELINA ASKS FOR HELP...
...I'D BE INCLINED TO GIVE IT.
SELINA IS RIGHT...
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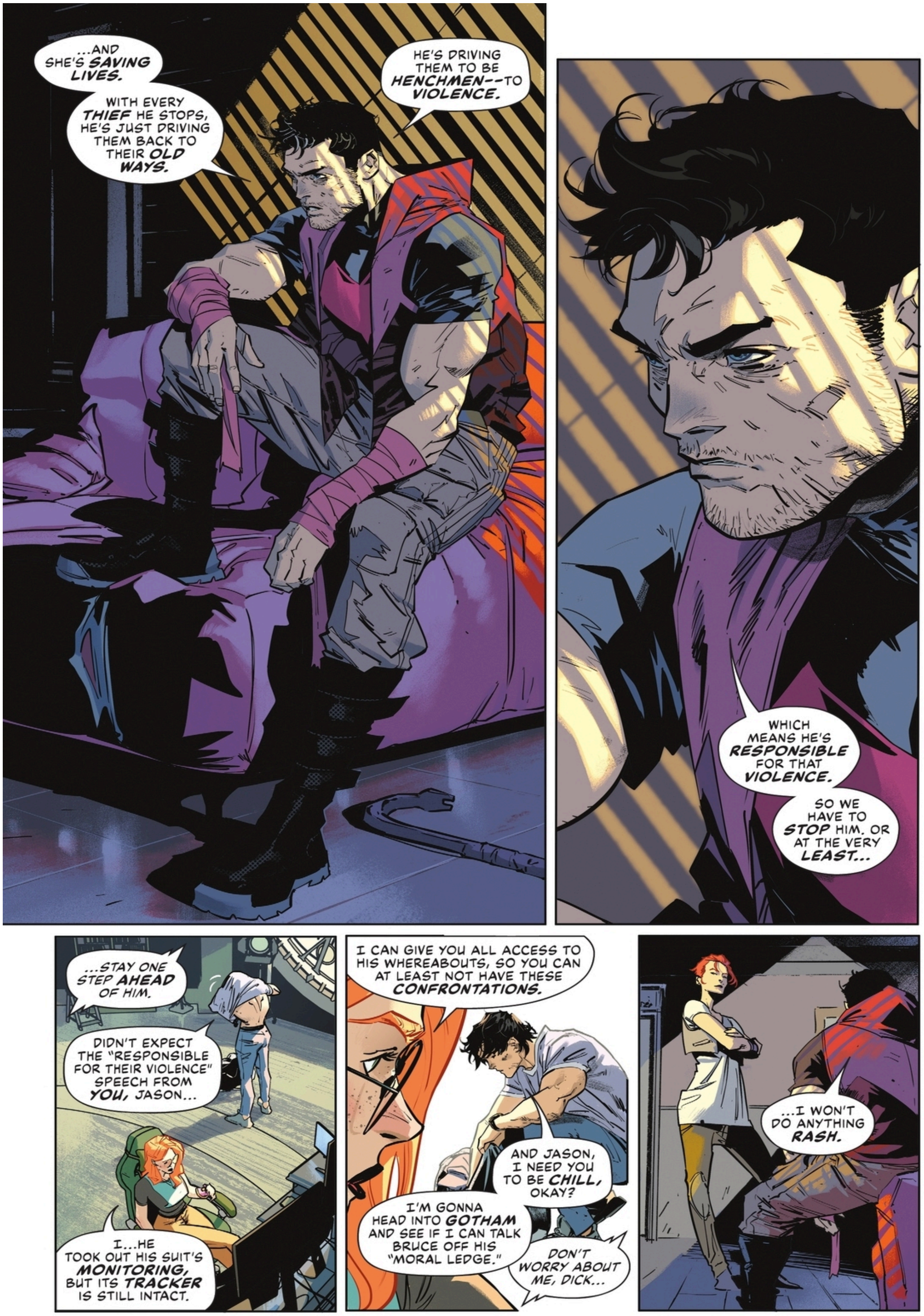
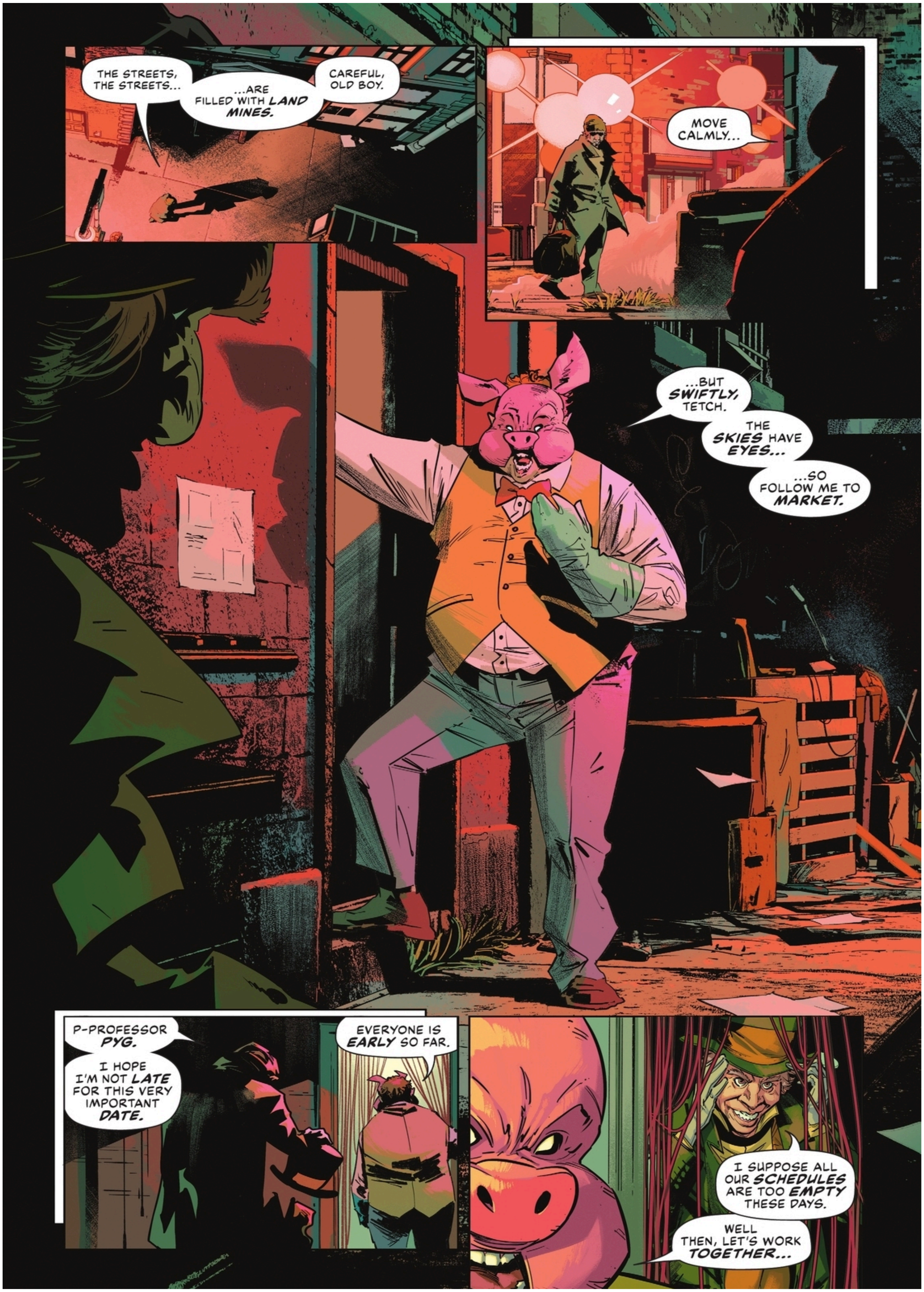

...AND SHE'S **SAVING LIVES.**
WITH EVERY **THIEF** HE STOPS, HE'S JUST DRIVING THEM BACK TO THEIR **OLD WAYS.**
HE'S DRIVING THEM TO BE **HENCHMEN**--TO **VIOLENCE.**
WHICH MEANS HE'S **RESPONSIBLE** FOR THAT **VIOLENCE.**
SO WE HAVE TO **STOP** HIM. OR AT THE VERY **LEAST...**
...STAY ONE STEP **AHEAD** OF HIM.
DIDN'T EXPECT THE "RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR VIOLENCE" SPEECH FROM **YOU,** JASON...
I...HE TOOK OUT HIS SUIT'S **MONITORING,** BUT ITS **TRACKER** IS STILL INTACT.
I CAN GIVE YOU ALL ACCESS TO HIS WHEREABOUTS, SO YOU CAN AT LEAST NOT HAVE THESE **CONFRONTATIONS.**
AND JASON, I NEED YOU TO BE **CHILL,** OKAY?
I'M GONNA HEAD INTO **GOTHAM** AND SEE IF I CAN TALK BRUCE OFF HIS "MORAL LEDGE."
DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME, DICK...
...I WON'T DO ANYTHING **RASH.**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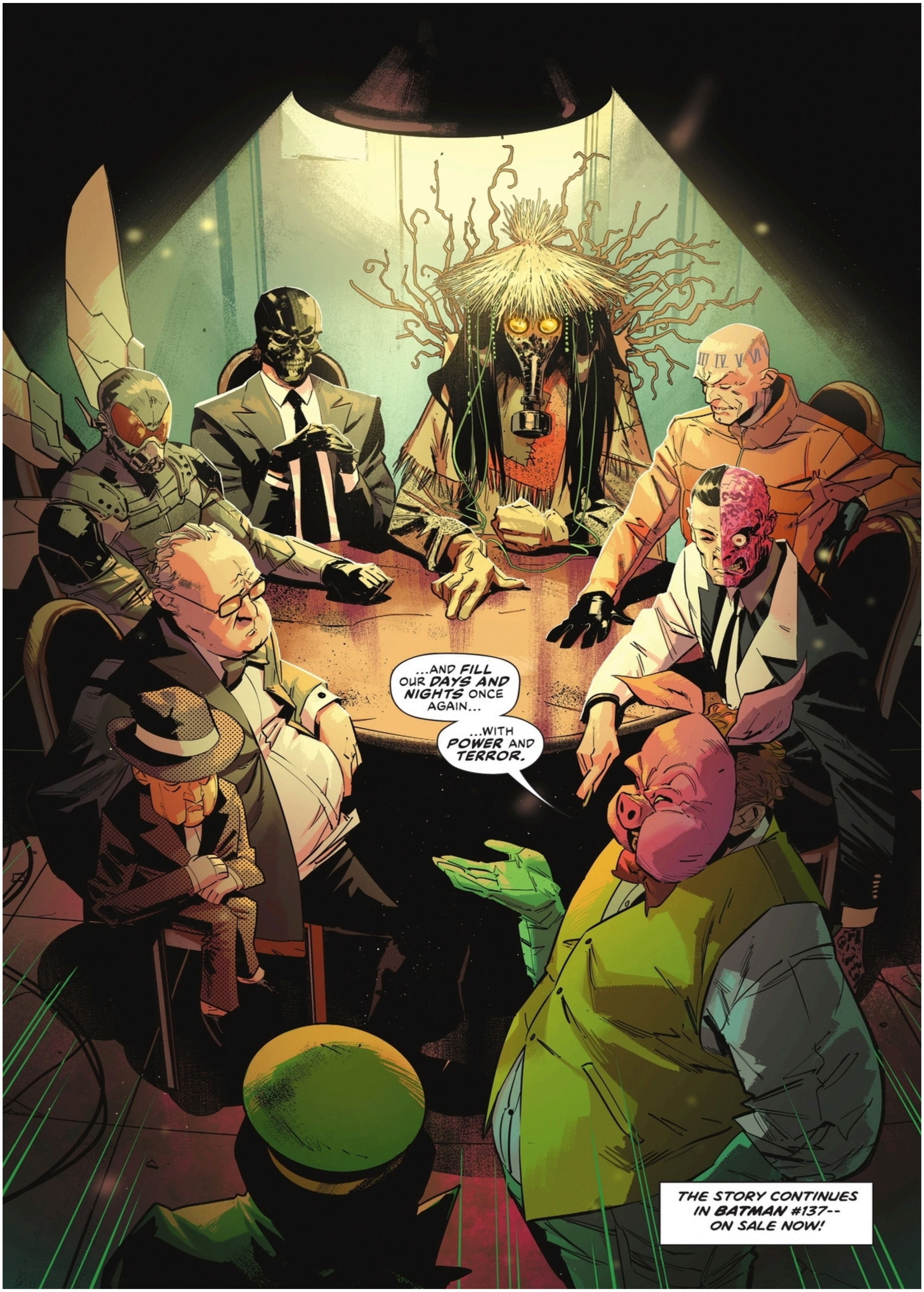
...ARE FILLED WITH LAND MINES.
CAREFUL, OLD BOY.
MOVE CALMLY...
...BUT SWIFTLY, TETCH.
THE SKIES HAVE EYES...
...SO FOLLOW ME TO MARKET.
P-PROFESSOR PYG.
I HOPE I'M NOT LATE FOR THIS VERY IMPORTANT DATE.
EVERYONE IS EARLY SO FAR.
I SUPPOSE ALL OUR SCHEDULES ARE TOO EMPTY THESE DAYS.
WELL THEN, LET'S WORK TOGETHER...


...AND FILL OUR DAYS AND NIGHTS ONCE AGAIN...
...WITH POWER AND TERROR.
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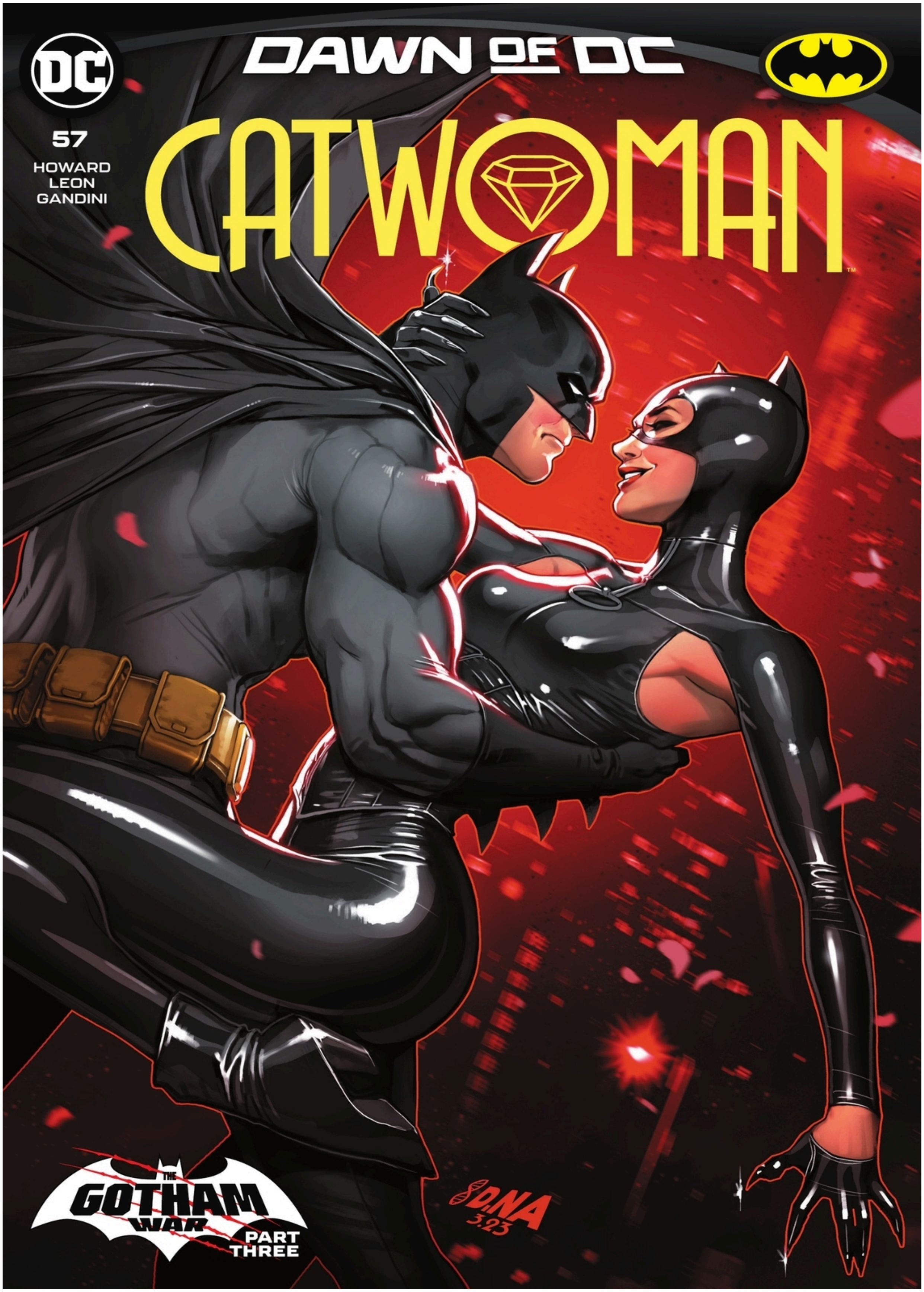
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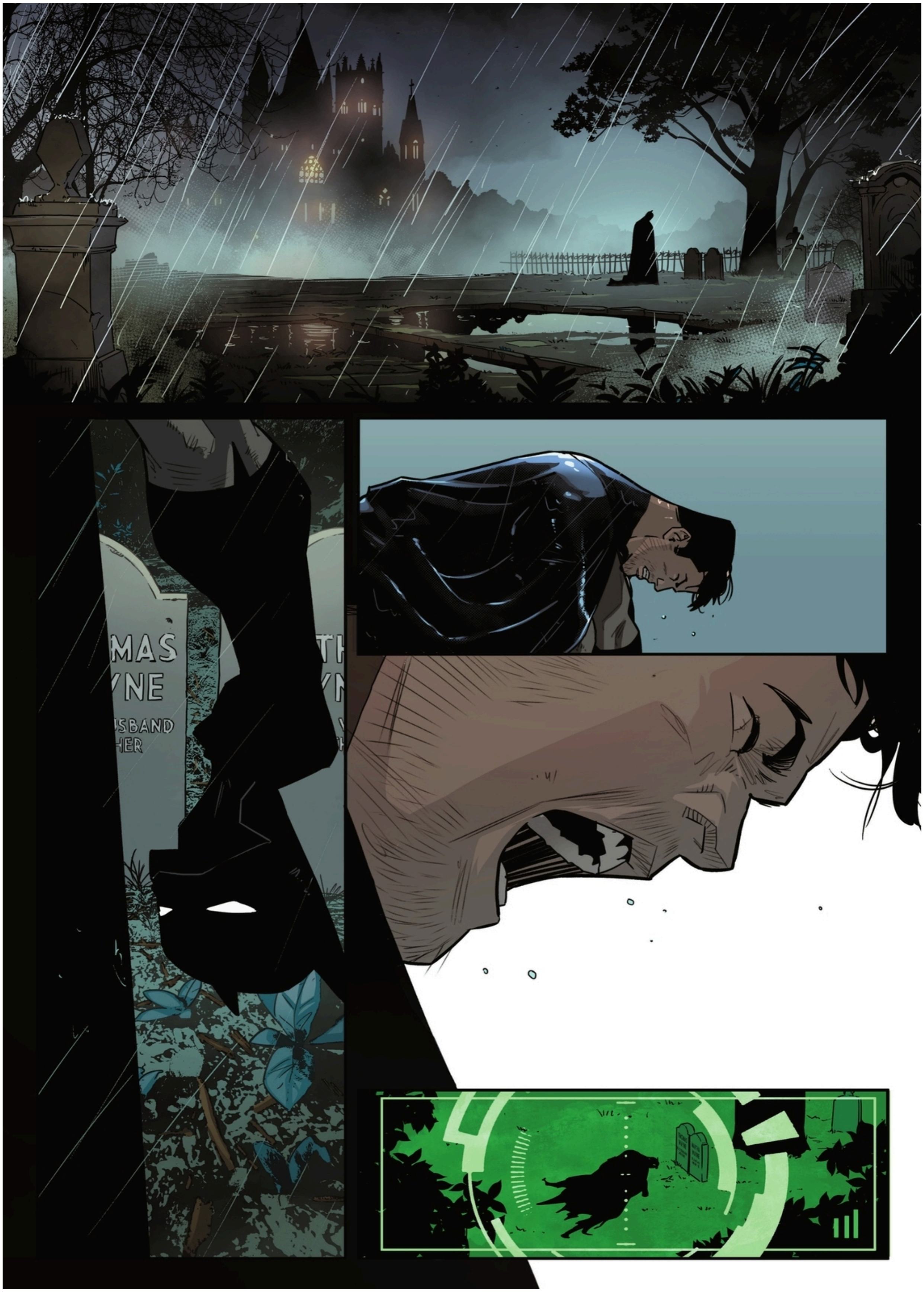
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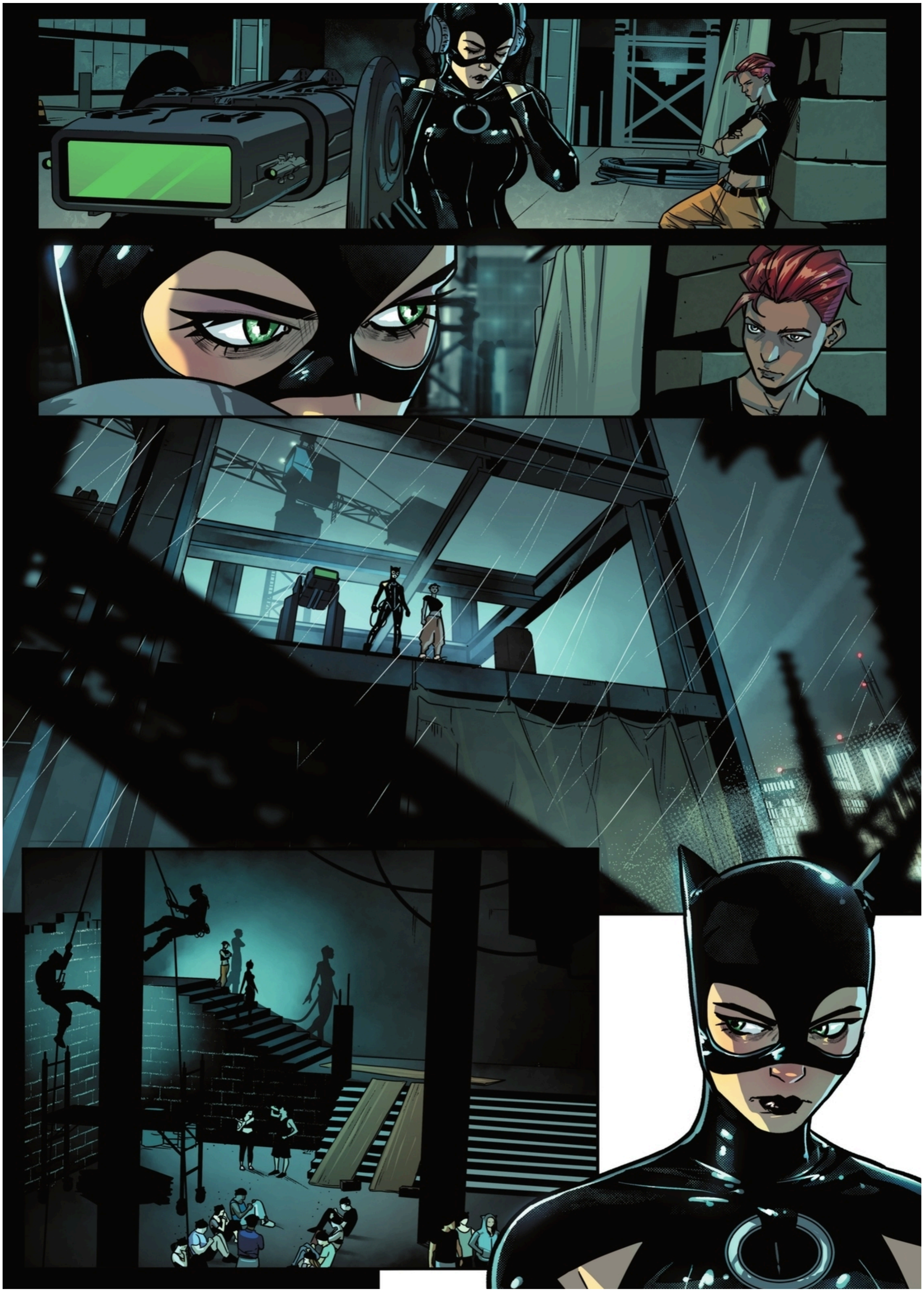

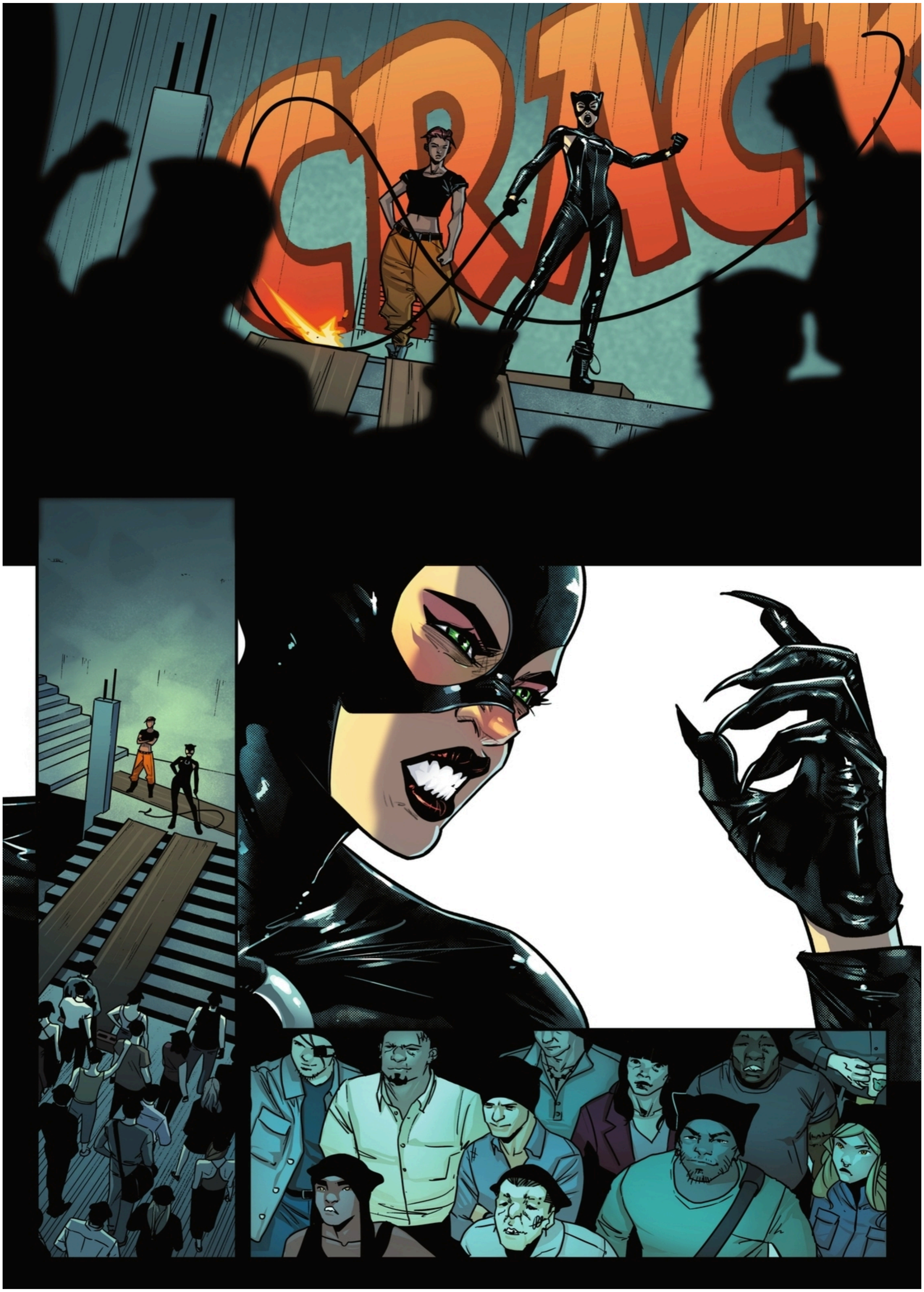
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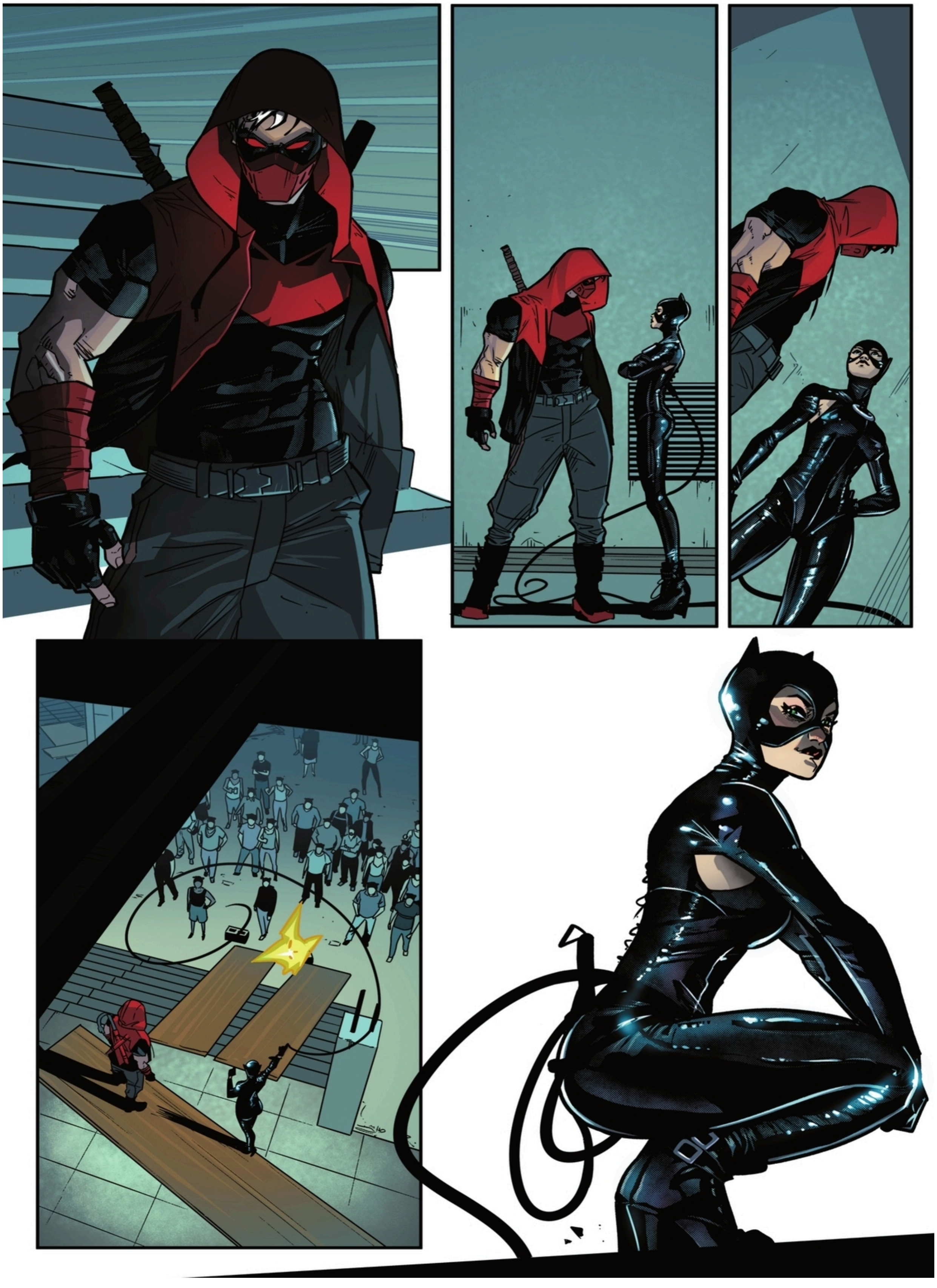

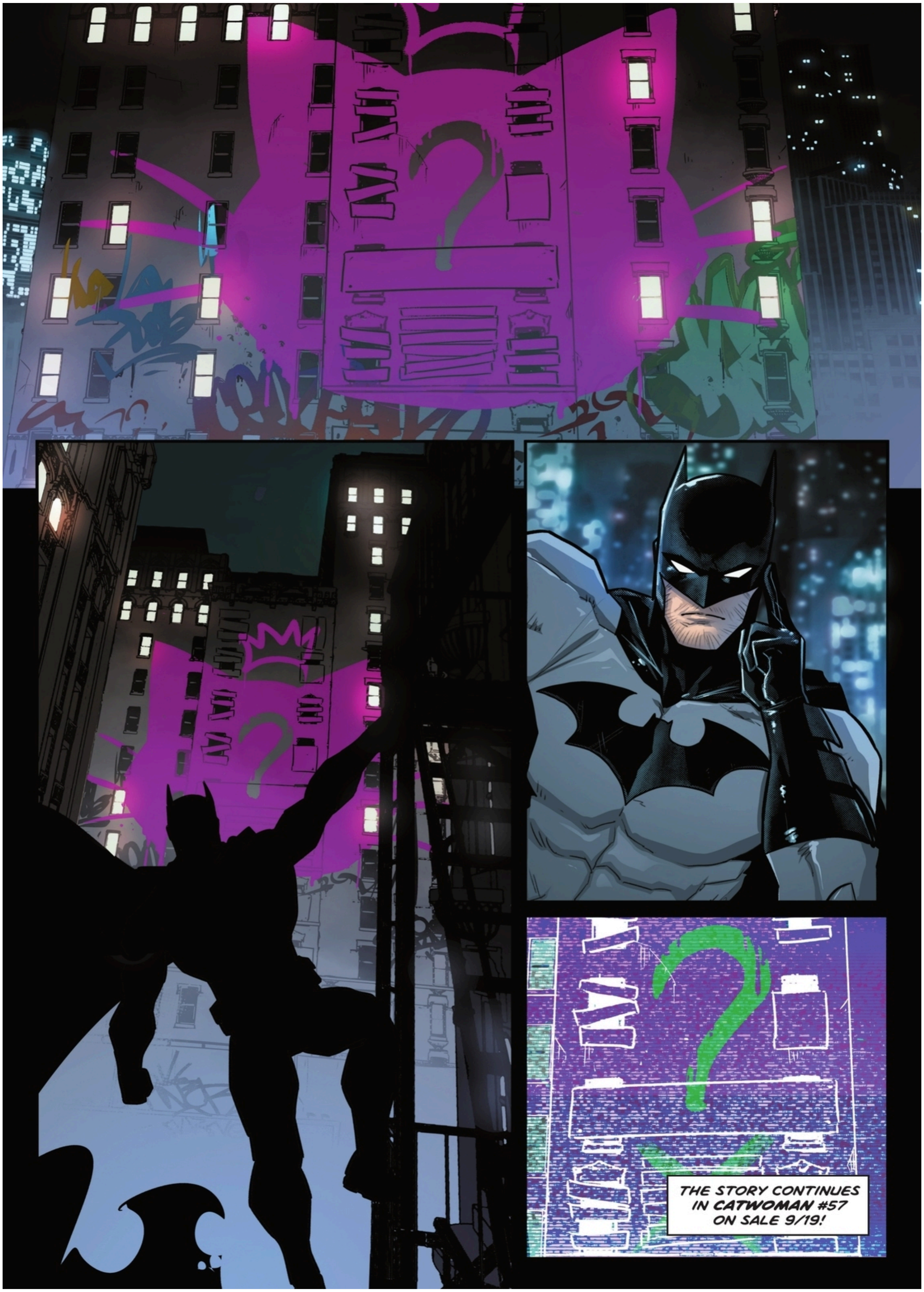
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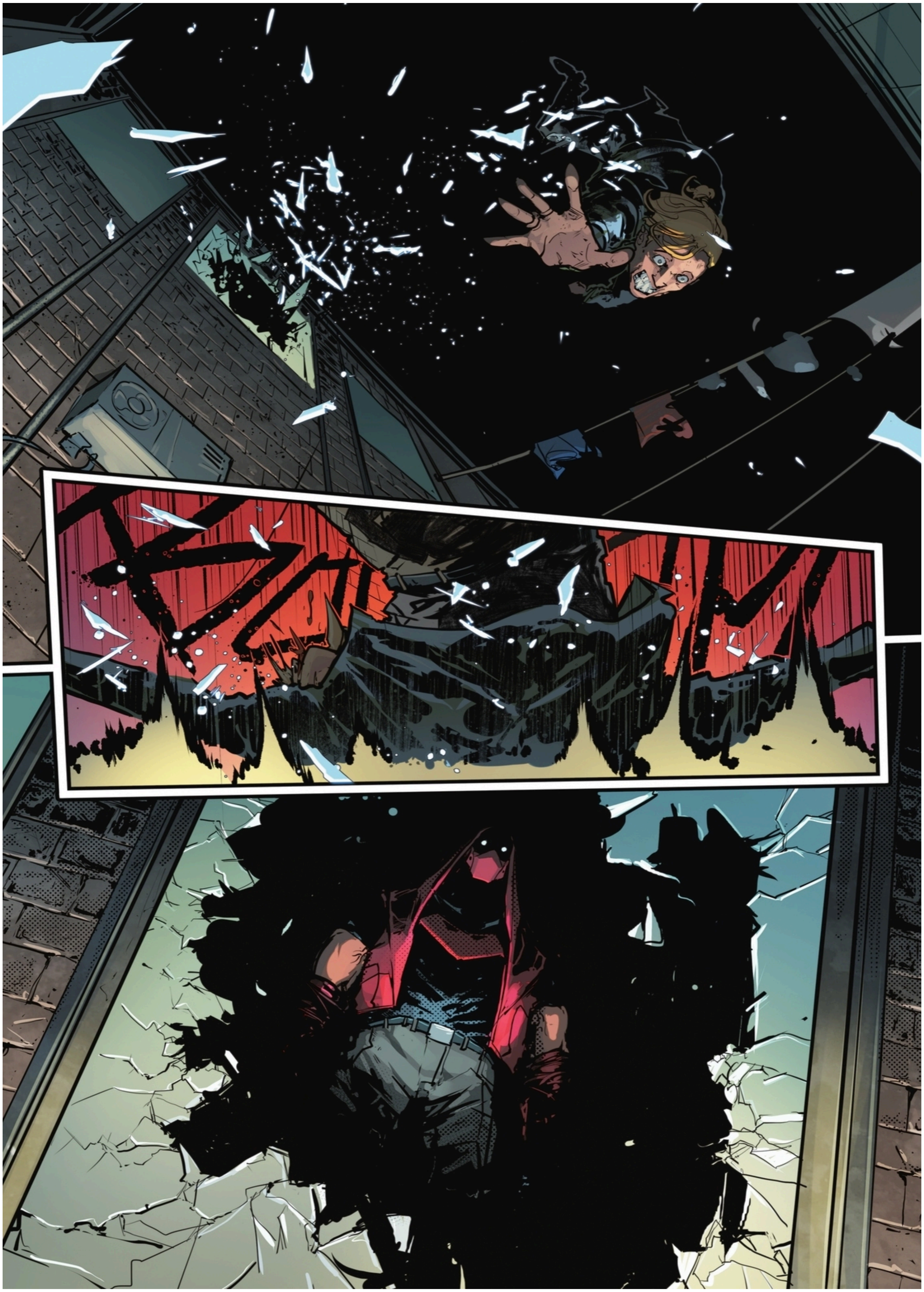

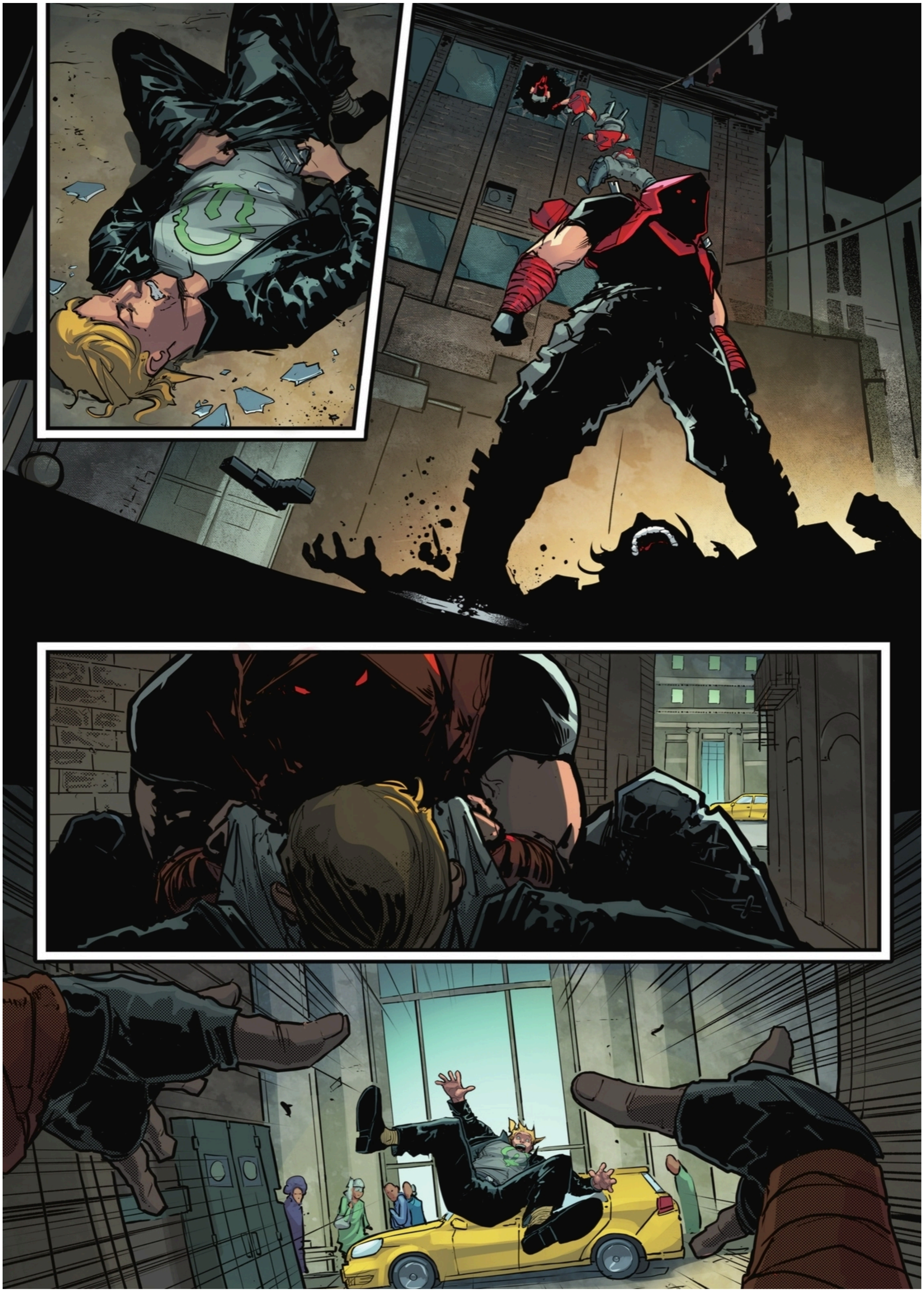

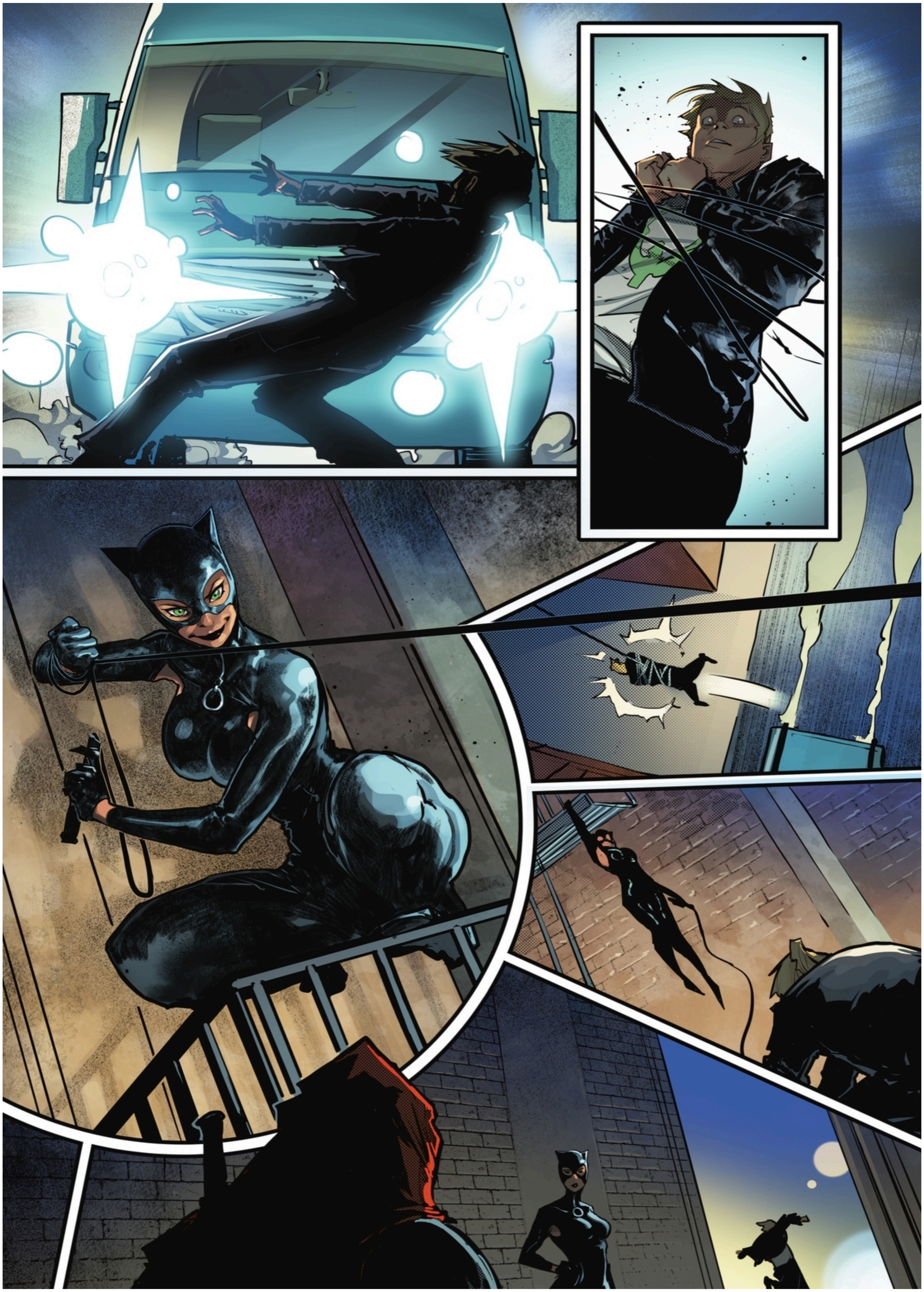

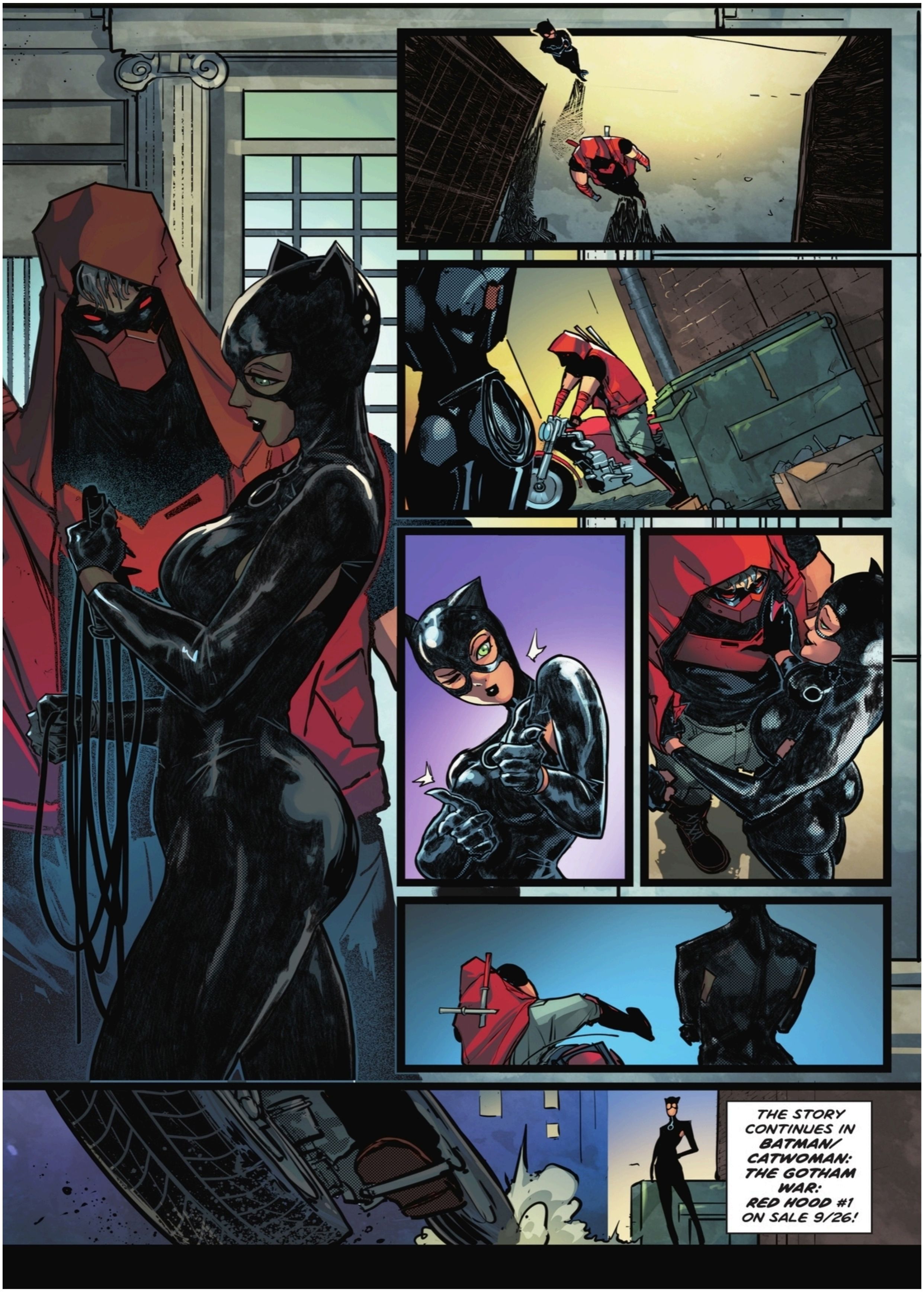
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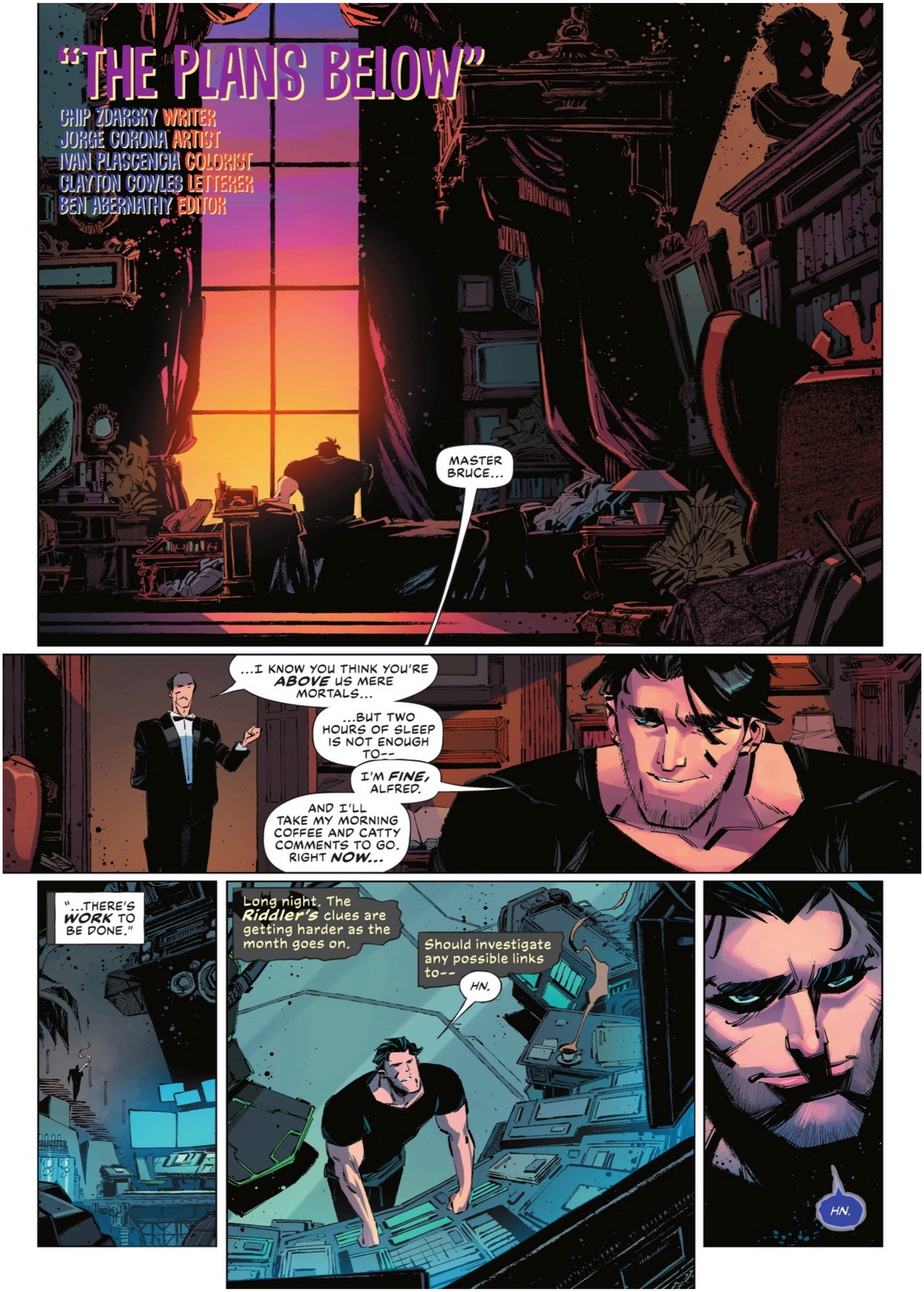
"THE PLANS BELOW"
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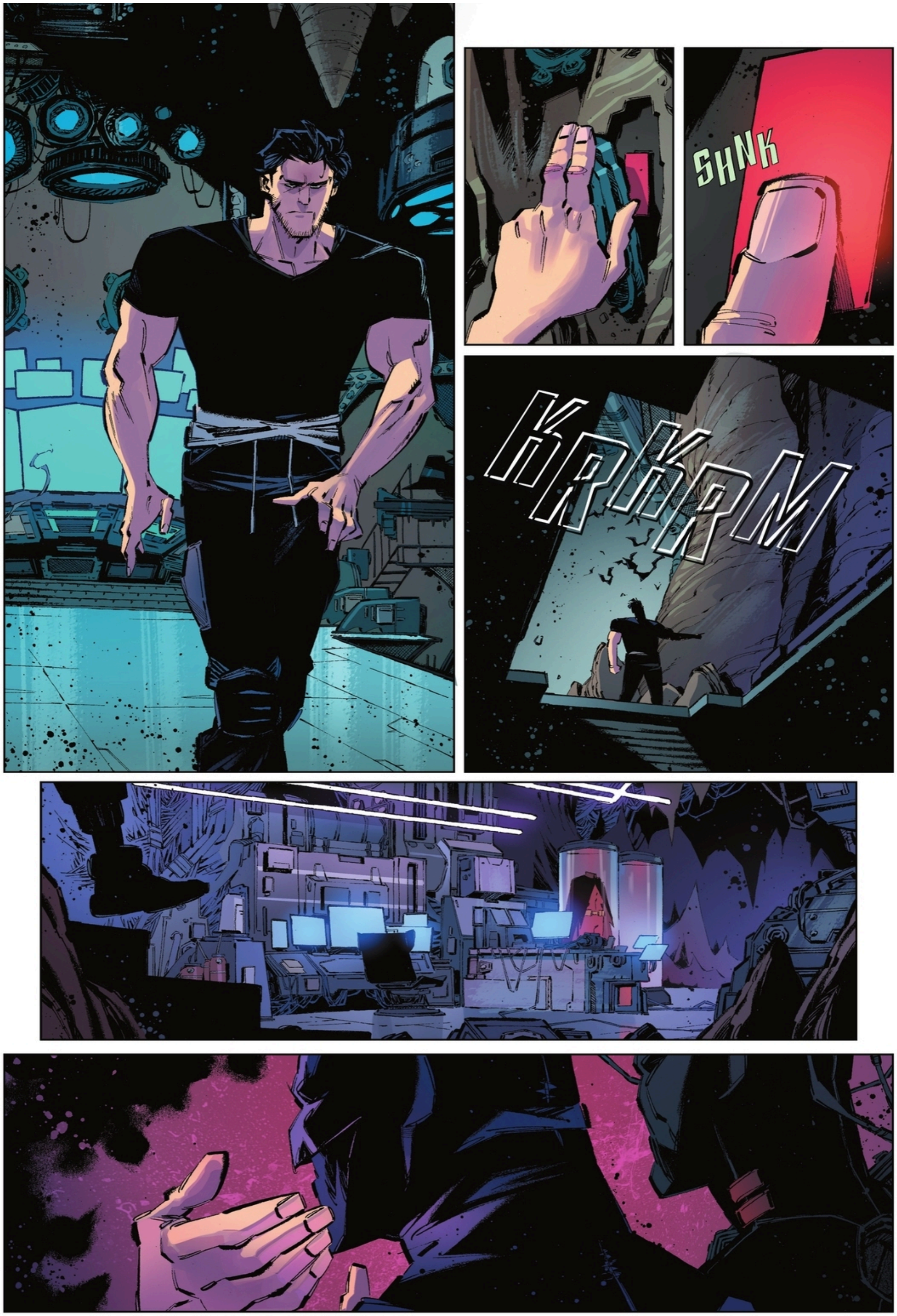
JORGE CORONA ARTIST
IVAN PLASCENCIA COLORIST
CLAYTON COWLES LETTERER
BEN ABERNATHY EDITOR
MASTER BRUCE...
...I KNOW YOU THINK YOU'RE *ABOVE* US MERE MORTALS...
...BUT TWO HOURS OF SLEEP IS NOT ENOUGH TO--
I'M *FINE*, ALFRED.
AND I'LL TAKE MY MORNING COFFEE AND CATTY COMMENTS TO GO. RIGHT *NOW*...
"...THERE'S *WORK* TO BE DONE."
Long night. The *Riddler's* clues are getting harder as the month goes on.
Should investigate any possible links to--
HN.
HN.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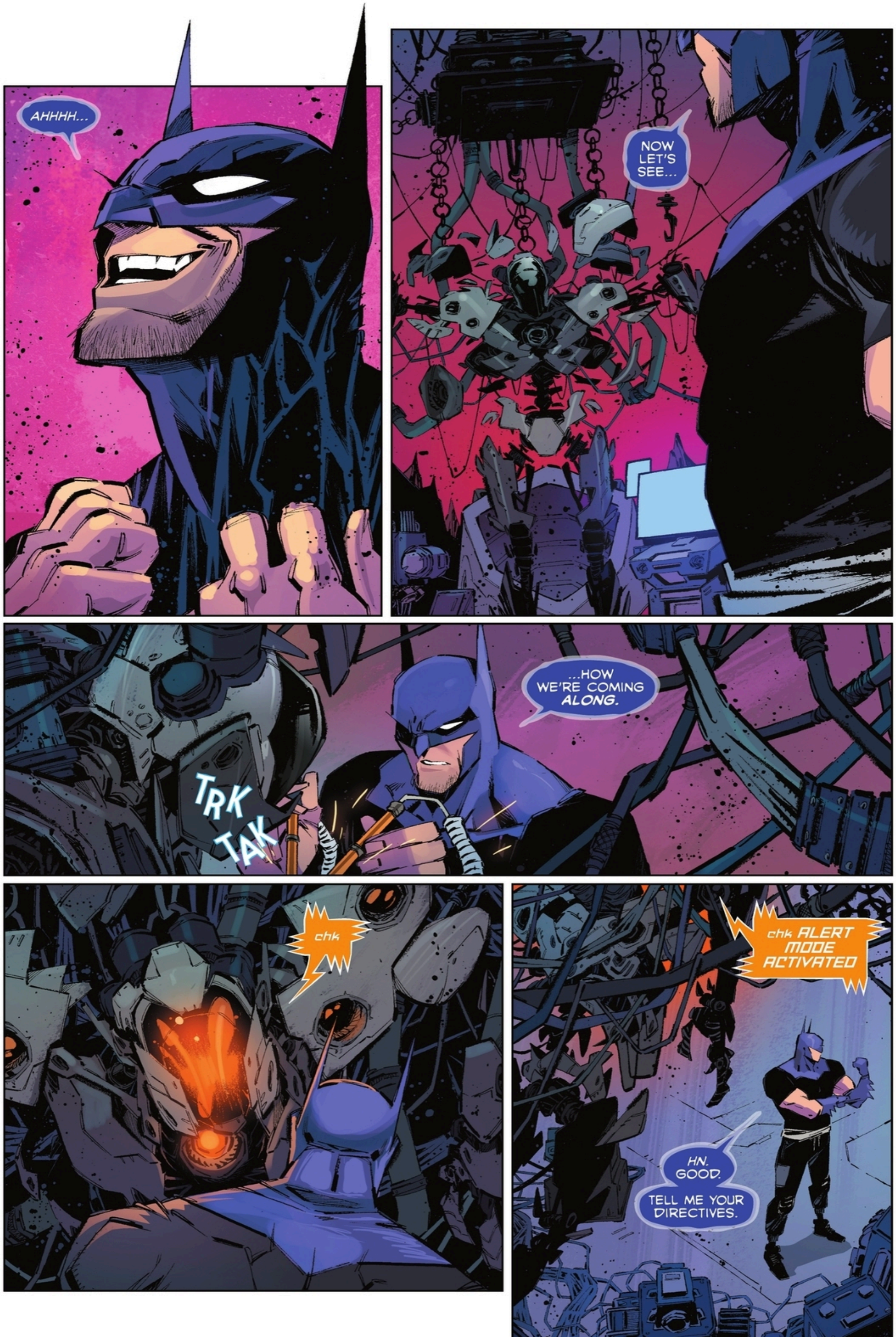
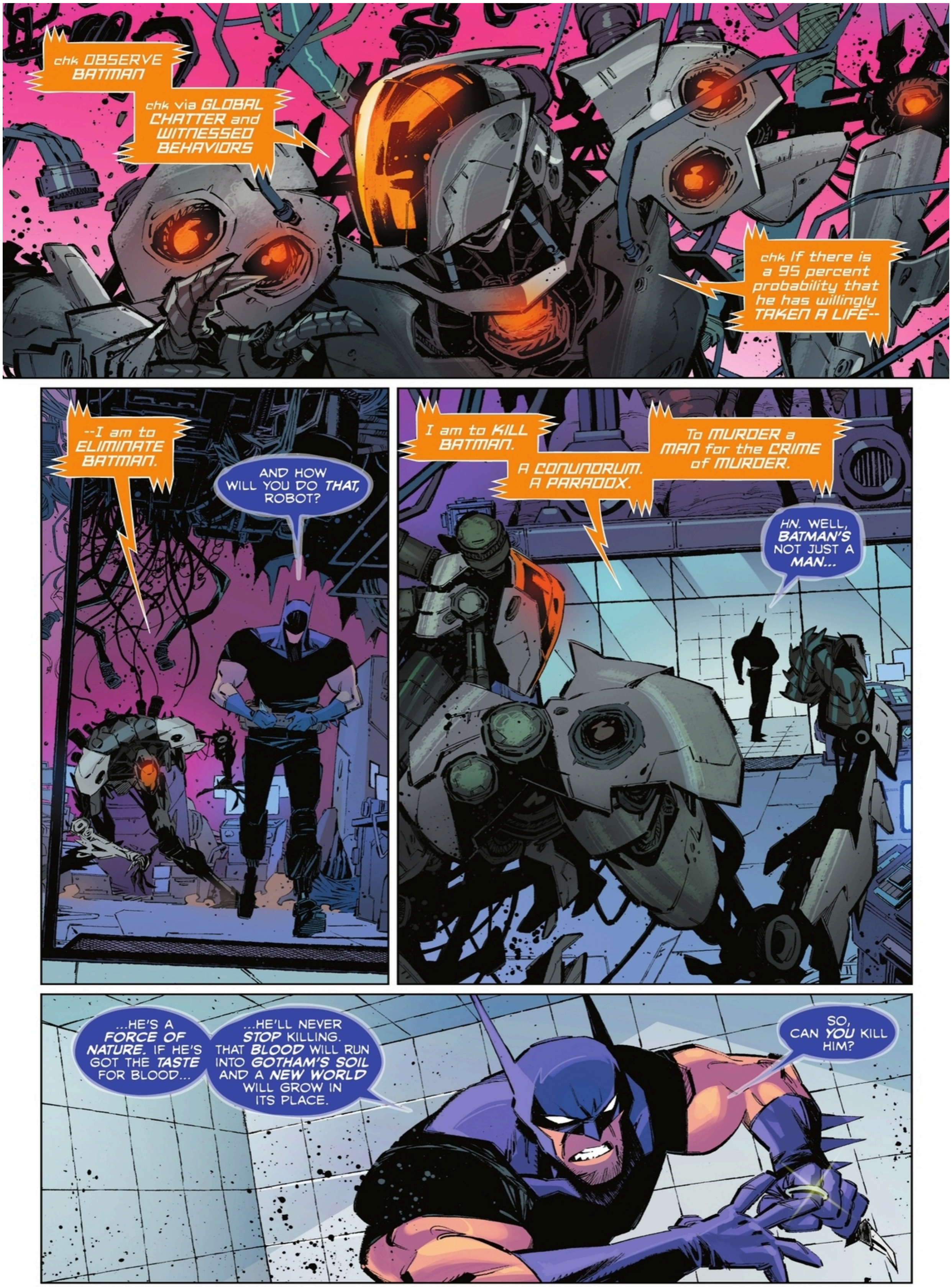
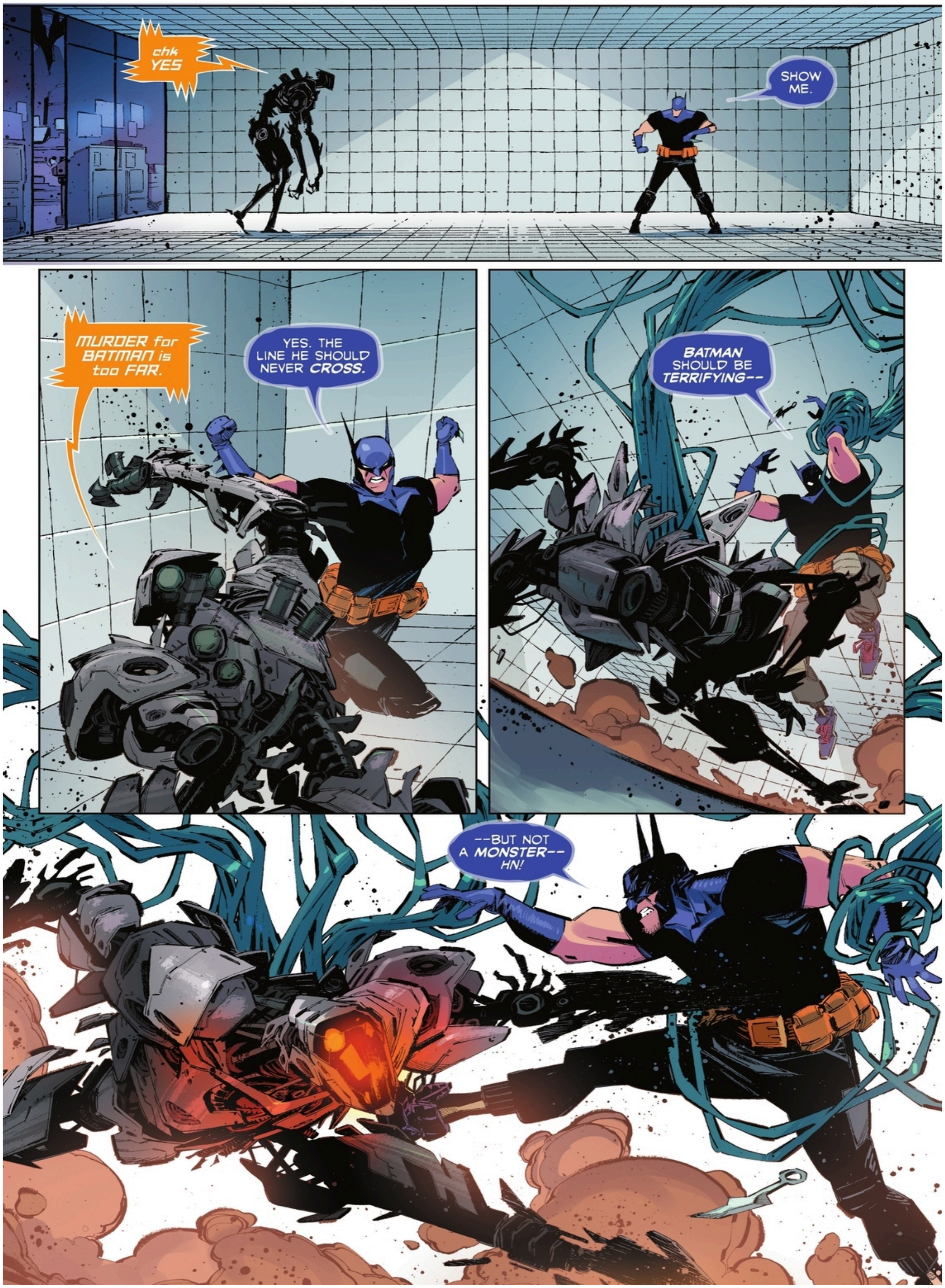
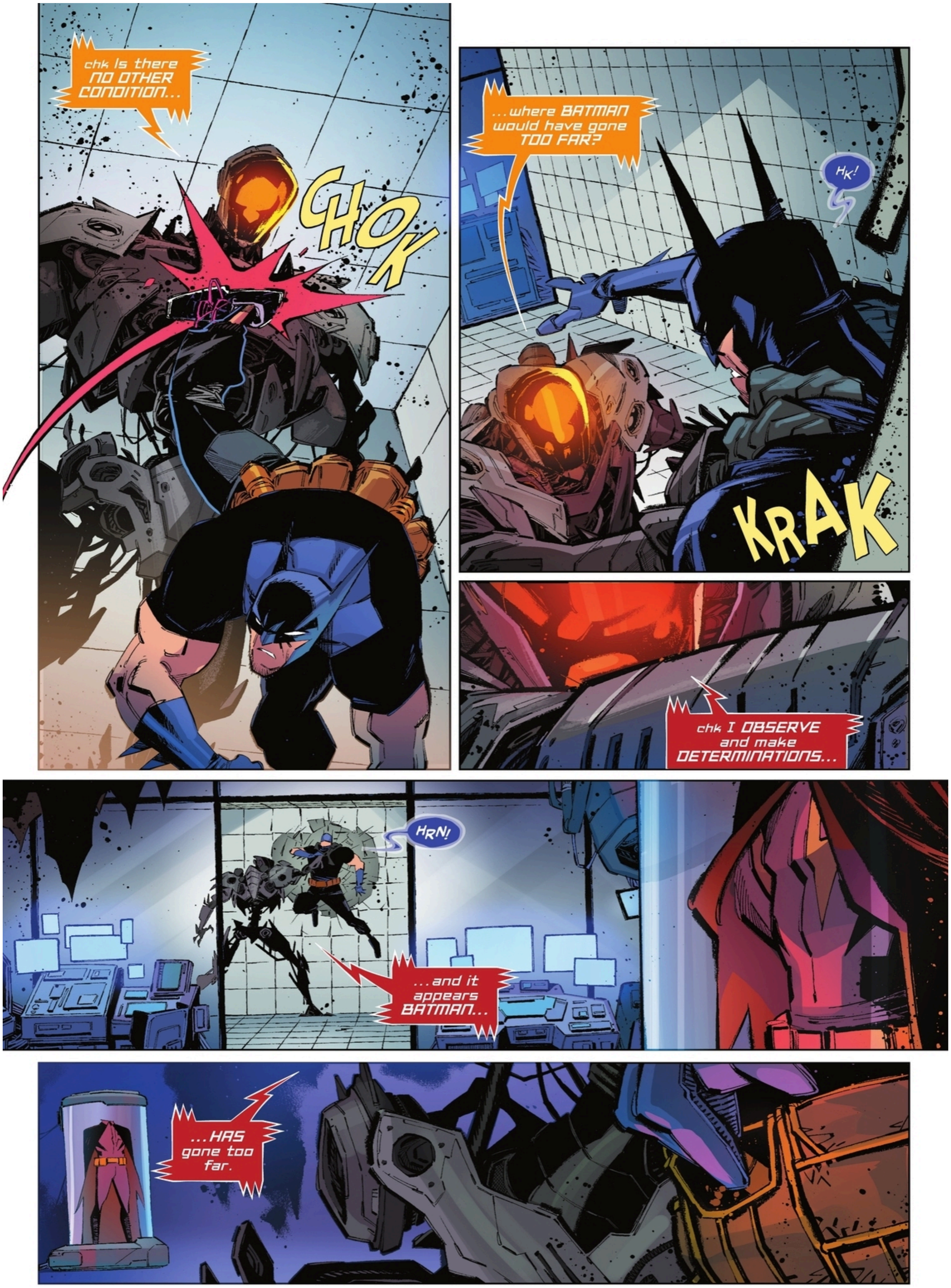
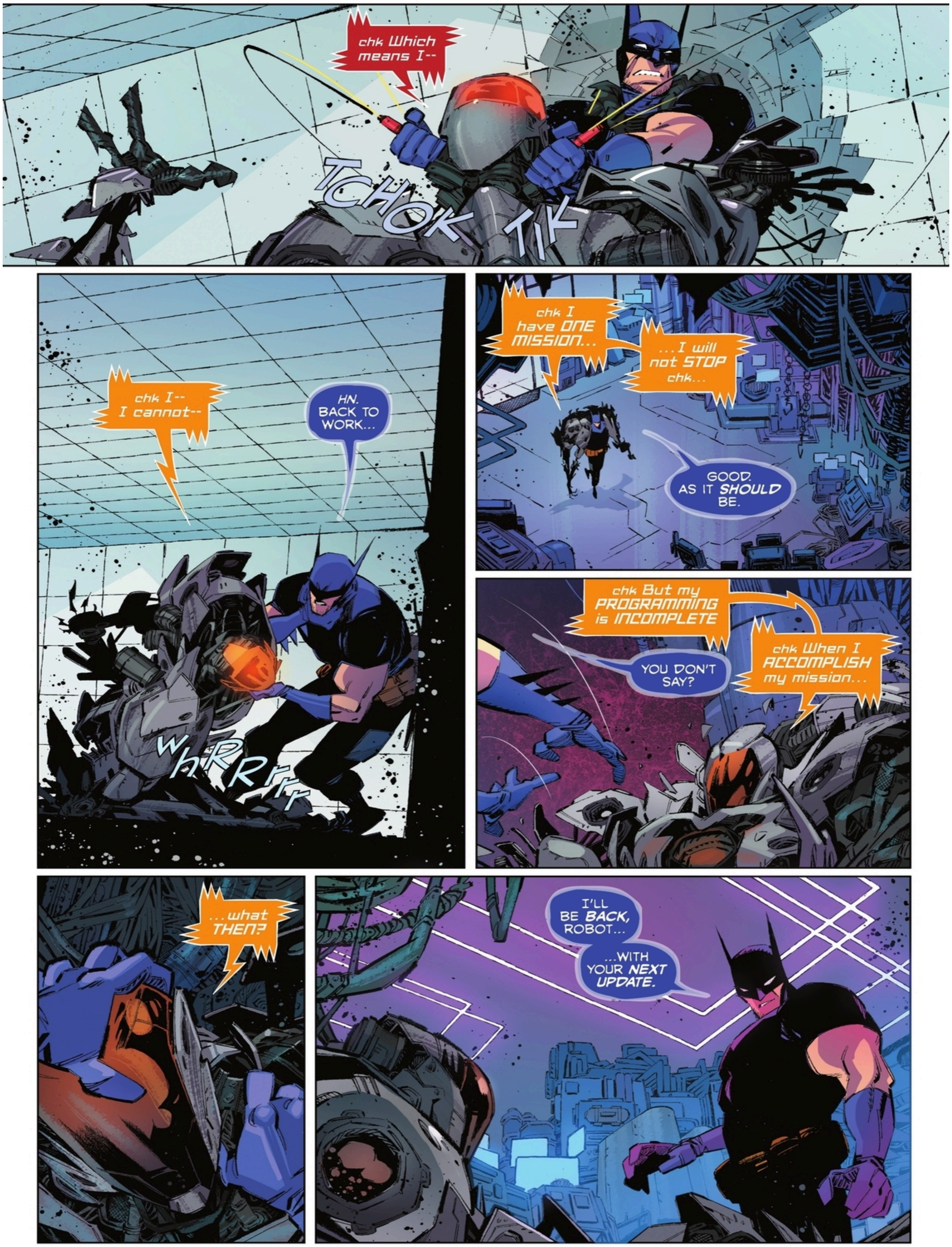
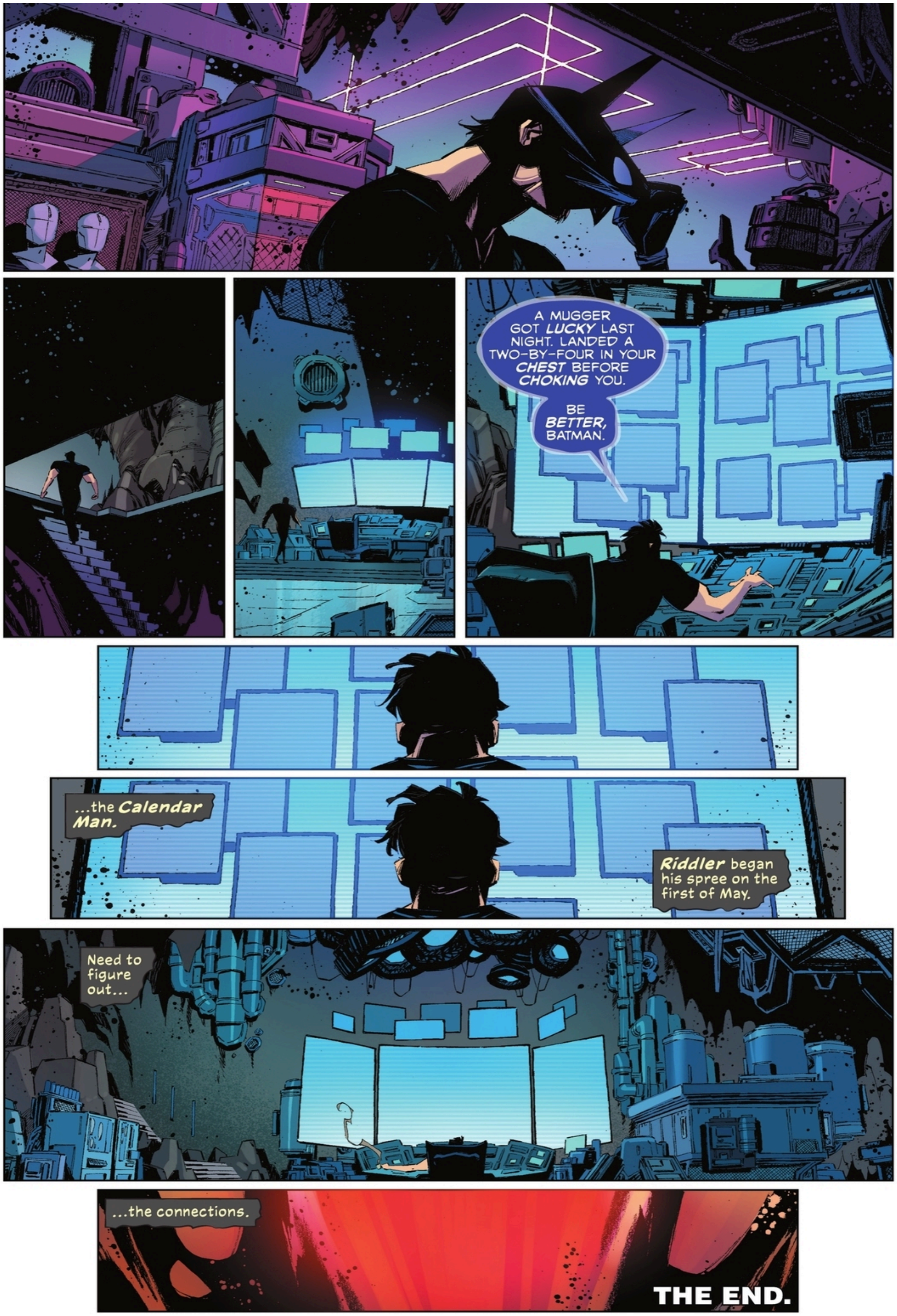

AHHHH...
NOW LET'S SEE...
...HOW WE'RE COMING *ALONG*.
TRK TAK
chk
chk ALERT MODE ACTIVATED
HN. GOOD.
TELL ME YOUR DIRECTIVES.

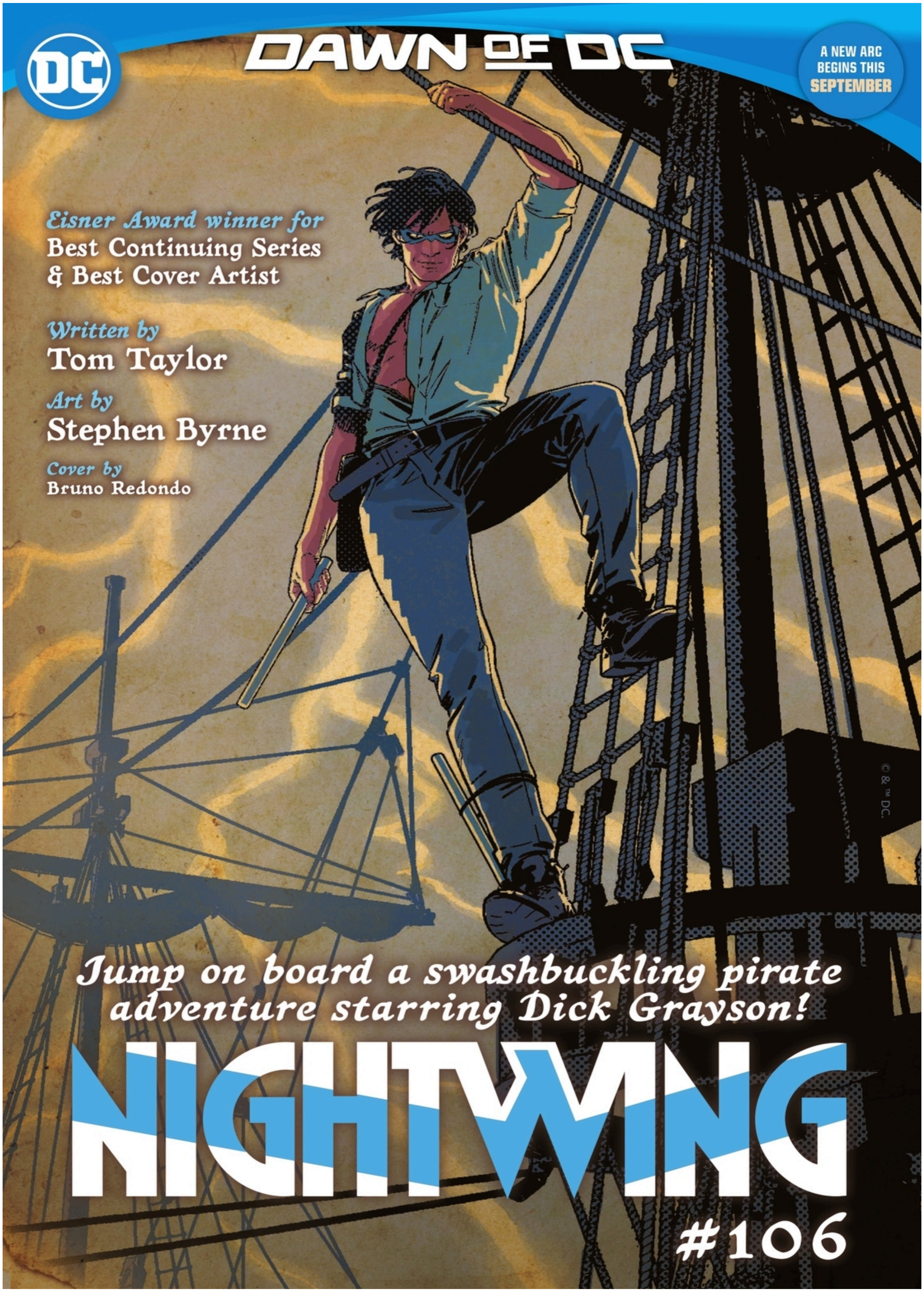

chk OBSERVE BATMAN
chk via GLOBAL CHATTER and WITNESSED BEHAVIORS
chk If there is a 95 percent probability that he has willingly TAKEN A LIFE--
--I am to ELIMINATE BATMAN.
AND HOW WILL YOU DO THAT, ROBOT?
I am to KILL BATMAN.
A CONUNDRUM. A PARADOX.
To MURDER a MAN for the CRIME of MURDER.
HN. WELL, BATMAN'S NOT JUST A MAN...
...HE'S A FORCE OF NATURE. IF HE'S GOT THE TASTE FOR BLOOD...
...HE'LL NEVER STOP KILLING. THAT BLOOD WILL RUN INTO GOTHAM'S SOIL AND A NEW WORLD WILL GROW IN ITS PLACE.
SO, CAN YOU KILL HIM?


chk YES
SHOW ME.
MURDER for BATMAN is too FAR.
YES. THE LINE HE SHOULD NEVER CROSS.
BATMAN SHOULD BE TERRIFYING--
--BUT NOT A MONSTER-- HN!


chk Is there NO OTHER CONDITION...
CHOK
...where BATMAN would have gone TOO FAR?
HK!
KRAK
chk I OBSERVE and make DETERMINATIONS...
HRN!
...and it appears BATMAN...
...HAS gone too far.


chk Which means I--
TCHOK TIK
chk I-- I cannot--
HN. BACK TO WORK...
whRRrrr
chk I have ONE MISSION...
...I will not STOP chk...
GOOD. AS IT SHOULD BE.
chk But my PROGRAMMING is INCOMPLETE
YOU DON'T SAY?
chk When I ACCOMPLISH my mission...
...what THEN?
I'LL BE BACK, ROBOT...
...WITH YOUR NEXT UPDATE.


A MUGGER GOT LUCKY LAST NIGHT. LANDED A TWO-BY-FOUR IN YOUR CHEST BEFORE CHOKING YOU.
BE BETTER, BATMAN.
...the Calendar Man.
Riddler began his spree on the first of May.
Need to figure out...
...the connections.
THE END.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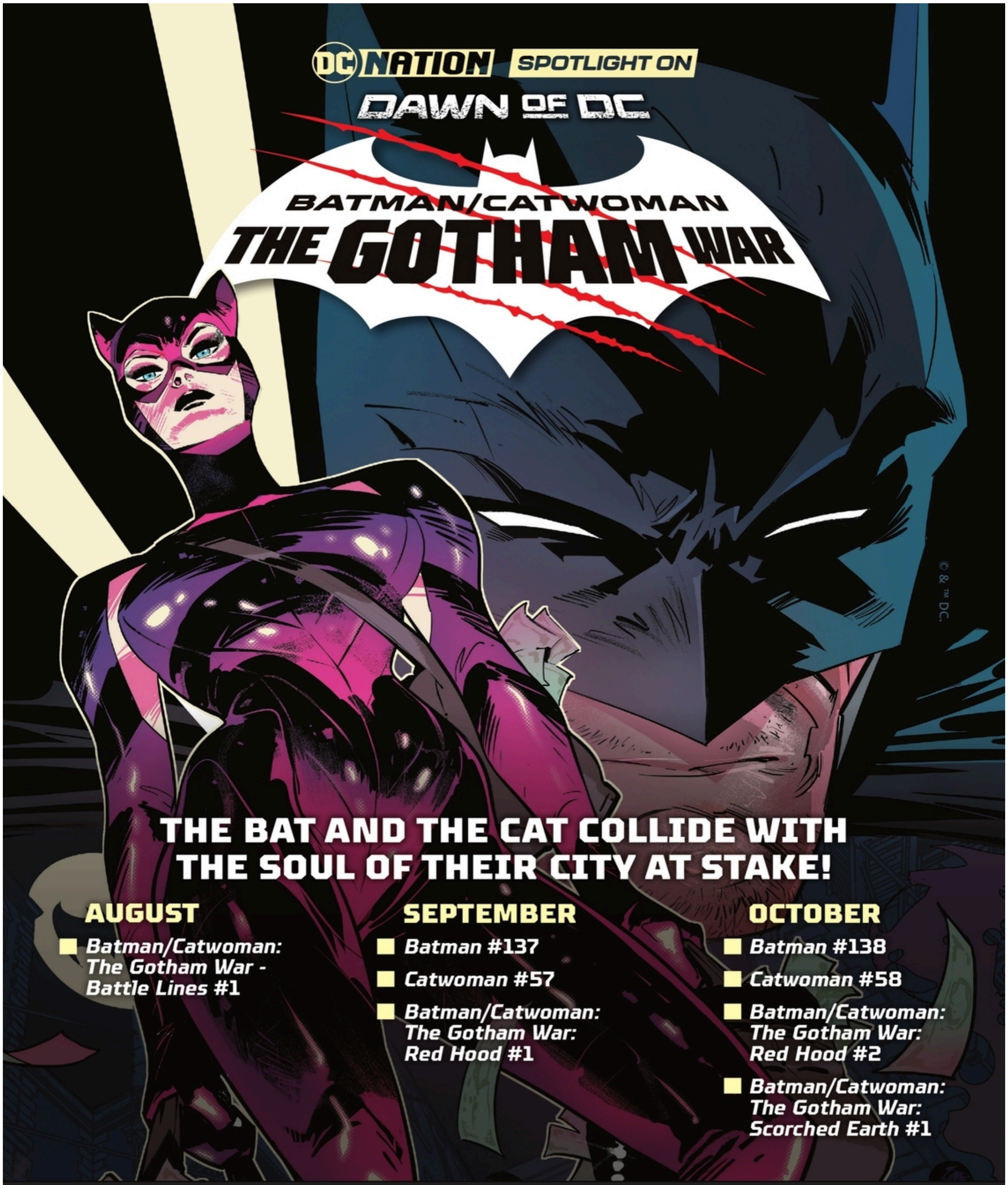

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